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BIRTHS.

FOX—February 27, 1928, at Mellifont Nursing Home, Kingstown, to Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Fox, B Woodstock gardens, Sandford, a son.
FREEMAN—February 17, 1928, at Newtown, Inch, County Wexford, to Mr. and Mrs. W. Freeman, a daughter.
HOLT—February 28, 1928, at 29 Upper Mount street, to Mr. and Mrs. Holt, 84 Sandymount road, a daughter (stillborn).

MARRIAGES.

ROBERTSON and HOPKINS—February 21, 1928, at Rathdrum Parish Church, by the Rev. W. Webb, assisted by the Rev. Canon Reynolds, William Robertson, Coolattin, Shillelagh, to Kathleen Hopkins, second daughter of John and Mrs. Hopkins, Corballis House, Rathdrum.
SINTON and WILSON—February 29, 1928, by special licence, at Bloomfield, Belfast, by Rev. A. Alfred, son of the late Thomas Sinton, Laurel Vale, Tandragee, to Alyce, daughter of the late John Wilson, Solicitor, Lourford.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 8.

ATTHILL—March 2, 1928, suddenly, at Fairy-bond, Kingstown, Alice Ellen, daughter of the late Leslie Atthill, M.D. Funeral (private) to-morrow (Tuesday) morning.
BAGGOT—March 4, 1928, at her residence, 5 Cambridge Villas, Rathmines, after brief illness, Marie F. (May), wife of James Baggot. Deeply regretted by husband and children. R.I.P. Funeral arrangements later.
BUTTERFIELD—On Saturday, March 3, 1928, at her residence, Inchaquire, Ballyfore, Bridie (nee Finn), dearly-beloved wife of James Butterfield Perry and sincerely regretted. R.I.P. Office and Mass this (Monday) morning at Crookstown at 11 o'clock. Funeral immediately afterwards.
COGHLAN—March 3, 1928, in a Private Nursing Home, Dublin, Rev. Brother J. A. Coghlan, late of Sligo, in his 52nd year. Office and High Mass at St. Vincent's Orphanage, Glasnevin, to-morrow (Tuesday) morning at 10 o'clock. Funeral immediately after High Mass to Glasnevin Cemetery.
COPINGER—March 1, 1928, at 4 Woodhill terrace, Tivoli, Emily Charlotte Copinger, formerly of Webbville, Blackrock, Cork.
DEMPSEY—March 2, 1928, at 278 Marsh Lane, Bootle, Margaret Amelia, daughter of the late Richard Dempsey, County Meath.
EAGER—March 4, 1928, at her residence, 40 Casimir road, Rathmines, Dublin, Catherine, widow of the late Alexander Eager, High Park, Killegar, County Wicklow, aged 92 years. Funeral to-morrow (Tuesday) at 11.30 a.m. by motor, to Killegar, arriving about 2 o'clock.
ELLIOTT—March 4, 1928, in hospital, Samuel Elliott, late of 70 South Circular road, Kilmainham. Funeral private.
GALBALLY—March 4, 1928, at Jervis street Hospital, Joseph F. Galbally, of Clery and Co., O'Connell street, Dublin. R.I.P. Remains will be removed from hospital to Marlborough street Church this (Monday) night at 9 o'clock. Funeral to Glasnevin Cemetery, after 10 o'clock Mass, to-morrow (Tuesday) morning.
GILTRAP—March 3, 1928, at his residence, Castledermot, William Giltrap, aged 82 years. Funeral to family burial ground, Castledermot, to-day (Monday) at 3 o'clock.
HANDY—March 3, 1928, at Springfield, Philipstown, Emily, widow of Samuel Wesley Handy. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord." Rev. xiv. 13. Funeral to-day (Monday), 2 o'clock, for Philipstown. No flowers.
HANRAHAN—March 4, 1928, at the City of Dublin Hospital, result of an accident, Brian F., youngest son of the late J. J. Hanrahan, LL.D., Clonmel. Requiem Mass at St. Mary's, Haddington road, at 9 o'clock to-morrow (Tuesday) morning, followed by Interment at Dean's Grange Cemetery.
HARDING—March 2, 1928, at her residence, 80 South Circular road, Dublin, Emily Matilda Harding, the beloved wife of Edward N. Harding, in her 76th year. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing husband and family. Funeral from St. Kevin's Church to-day (Monday), after service, 10.15 a.m., to Mount Jerome. "Abide with Me."
KING—March 2, 1928, at 21 Fitzwilliam square, Dublin, Lady Louise S. K., wife of the late Sir Gilbert King, Bart. Funeral private.
MACNAMARA—March 3, 1928, at a Private Nursing Home in Dublin, Marion, daughter of the late Richard Macnamara, formerly of 9 North Great George's street, Dublin. R.I.P. Funeral private.
MOORE—March 2, 1928, at 35 St. Kevin's Park, Jessy Moore, late of St. John's Mansfield, Notts., aged 87. Peace, perfect peace. Funeral (private) to-day (Monday) to Dean's Grange.
MOORHEAD—March 1, 1928, at Devonside School, near Bath, Charles Gilbert O'Connell, beloved eldest son of Captain and Mrs. Gilbert Moorhead, of Durrant, Northam, Devon, aged 14½.
OAKES—March 4, 1928, at her residence, Church street, Wicklow, Mary Oakes, at an advanced age. Funeral to New Cemetery, Rathnew, at 2 p.m. to-morrow (Tuesday).
O'REILLY—March 3, 1928, at her residence, Ballinahinch, Ashford, County Wicklow, Mary O'Reilly. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Funeral from Ashford Church this day (Monday) at 2 p.m. to Rathnew Cemetery.
O'ROURKE—March 4, 1928, at 43 Wellington road, Aubrey V. O'Rourke, M.R.I.A.I. Very deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife and relatives. R.I.P. Funeral (private), after 10 o'clock Mass, to-morrow (Tuesday) morning from St. Mary's, Haddington road.
PEMBERTON—March 4, 1928, at her residence, Hazlewood, Ranelagh road, Dublin, Kate Anne, widow of the late John B. Pemberton. Funeral (private) to Mount Jerome to-morrow (Tuesday) morning. No flowers.
REILLY—March 3, 1928, at his residence, North Quay, Drogheda, John Reilly. Deeply and deservedly regretted by his sorrowing wife and family. R.I.P. Funeral this day (Monday) from St. Peter's at 2 p.m. for St. Peter's New Cemetery.
ROBERTSON—March 4, 1928, at a Private Nursing Home, Dublin, James Pierre Robertson, Assistant Director of Education, Gold Coast, West Africa, son of the late Rev. Charles and Mrs. Robertson. Funeral (private) to-morrow (Tuesday).
SIMMONS—March 1, 1928, at 43 Lebanon Park, Twickenham, London, Alice May, dearly-loved youngest daughter of the late John Simmons, Solicitor, formerly of Dungannon and Glenageary, County Dublin.
SMITH—March 3, 1928, at his residence, Belton House, Castle street, Bray, William Smith, aged 89 years, son of the late James McKay Smith, Funeral at St. Paul's Church, Bray, at 11.30 a.m. to-morrow (Tuesday), thence to Dean's Grange Cemetery. No flowers, by request.
STEPHENS—March 4, 1928, at 5 Corrig avenue, Kingstown, Helen, widow of the late Samuel Stephens, of Merrion, County Dublin. Funeral private. No flowers.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Mrs. Henry Batt and family desire to return their sincere thanks to the many kind friends who expressed sympathy with them in their recent sad bereavement, and hope they will accept this as an acknowledgment.
Mr. Michael Gannon and family, Cartron, County Sligo, desire to return their very sincere thanks to all callers and for letters and telegrams of sympathy received in their recent sad bereavement, and trust that this acknowledgment will be accepted by all, as it is impossible to reply to each individually.

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And Notice is hereby further given that after the said 10th day of March, 1928, the said Charles Magwood, Executor, will proceed to distribute the assets of the Deceased, having regard only to the claims and demands of which notice and particulars shall have been given as above required.
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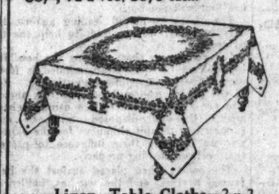

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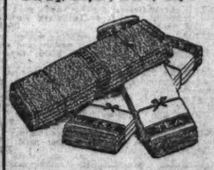

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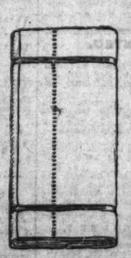

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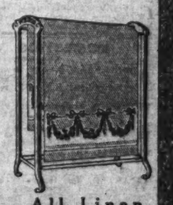

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WANTED, Chauffeur, indr.; must have good references; some mechanical knowledge; useful in house; couple only.—T 19, this office. 3 A

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BOOT Trade—Male Apprentice required for Limerick, age about 17, well educated, good appearance, average height. Apply in own handwriting, in first instance, with full particulars, to Tyler's Ltd., 10 Cathedral street, Dublin. 3 B

CLERK (Junior) Wanted, just leaving school; state age, school, give copy reference.—S 1986, this office. 2 C

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Writing on this subject in the *Weekly Irish Times*, the Poultry Correspondent says:—

We understand that egg production has not been as good as it might for the past few months. Hatching operations have generally been disappointing, as eggs have been so much infertile; so that all who wish for a good stock of young birds should work hard to make up for lost time. This is the sowing season for poultry-breeders, and as you sow you will reap. Stick to it with perseverance, and do not be disheartened by partial failure.

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FRAUDLENT USE OF MOTOR LICENCE.

At Castlederg Petty Sessions last Saturday Charles Porter, Ergenagh, was prosecuted by John M. Moffatt, local taxation officer, for fraudulently using a motor cycle licence and for using an unlicensed motor cycle. William J. Trimble, Castlederg, was summoned for fraudulently lending a motor cycle licence to Porter.

The magistrates imposed a fine of £20 in the first case and 5s. in the second case on Porter, and in the case against Trimble they imposed a fine of 10s. and costs.

TROUBLE IN WORKHOUSE.

Dr. D. F. Murnaghan, medical officer, reported to the Omagh Board of Guardians last Saturday that a subordinate official in the workhouse had given considerable trouble, and accused the nurses of taking the patients' butter. She had also thrown the butter out of the window that morning.

Mrs. M'Keown said that probably this arose through bad temper.

It was decided to call for an explanation.

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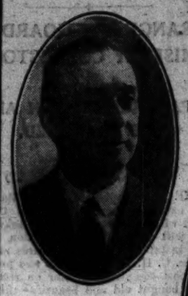

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IS THERE DANGER OF A CREDIT COLLAPSE?

AMERICA'S NEW ECONOMIC PROBLEM.

IN its ultimate and refined forms, instalment credit will be recognised as constituting a significant and valuable contribution to the modern economy." Such is the conclusion of a thorough study conducted by Professor Edwin R. A. Seligman, of Columbia University, of the growth and tendencies of the instalment-payment system, which, as applied to the sale of motor-cars and other commodities, has spread to such an extent in the United States of America as to arouse much questioning, and even some alarm.

"Most economists have been very suspicious of this form of credit," a brother-economist wrote lately, adding, however, his opinion that "Professor Seligman's work will go very far toward dispelling ungrounded fears, and laying the basis for a general theory of consumers' credit."

The work mentioned is a two-volume book, "The Economics of Instalment Selling: A Study in Consumers' Credit, with special reference to the automobile." (Harper and Brothers. 36s. net.)

Completed last year, its statistics are those of the year 1926. Even then the bulk figures were so large as to convey nothing more than a general impression of business, and they serve as well for that purpose as later and, no doubt, larger figures. "Instalment sales, in the case of the durable consumption goods to which the system is primarily applied, amounted at the end of 1926 to about four and a half billions of dollars, out of total retail sales of about thirty-eight billions; and the total of outstanding instalment paper was about two billions."

ECONOMIC REVOLUTON.

More telling than figures seems the following statement made by the Professor in his approach to the subject: "After more than a century devoted to the elaboration of the principles and the technique of banking and commercial credit, designed to fit the industrial revolution, we now stand on the brink of another revolution in economic science and economic life, scarcely inferior to its predecessor."

The system of instalment-selling in its new and portentous growth has been the subject of opinions which, as the author remarks, cover the whole gamut from enthusiastic approval to unmeasured condemnation. It is applied sometimes to unsuitable commodities, and sometimes with indiscreet terms. These manifestations are to be condemned, and if extensive would be dangerous. Their extension, however, usually is checked, because their danger is soon apparent to the persons concerned in them.

If, on the other hand, the commodities are suitable and the terms well-judged, the system will not extend beyond the bounds of safety. On a safe basis, it is to be welcomed, because it has a good effect on production (this is the most trying fence the author has to take, in view of the argument of critics that instalment-selling merely stimulates production temporarily, like a drug, leaving ultimate weakness); moreover, as regards the consumer, it is likely to increase and not decrease savings.

CONTROLLING FACTORS.

As regards the United States in particular, the author seems to be satisfied that the great finance corporations, which have been formed to handle business that was seen to be outside normal banking functions, are able to control the situation and will do so wisely as a result of a pooling of the lessons of experience. All the large corporations now are represented in a conference on the lines of bankers' conferences.

In these conclusions, however, and in the study from which they issue: it well may seem to economists in Europe, with their closer concern with ups and downs in economic conditions, that Professor Seligman's treatise gives inadequate importance to what he calls "the depression study." His depression study is an appendix containing statistics relating to delinquencies on the part of instalment purchasers in the anthracite coal-mining region during the period of the strike of miners there. Neither to that particular episode nor to the possible effects of a more general depression is given that amount of attention which those who are uneasy about the phenomenon desire.

A FORM OF CREDIT.

A few quotations and notes will indicate the author's trend of study. "It is clear that the phenomenon with which we deal is a form of credit. . . . Like all credit, instalment credit implies the present transfer of wealth, depends upon the trust or confidence reposed in the debtor, and is based upon the expectation of repayment in the future. The difference between instalment credit and other credit is to be found in the fact that instalment credit is liquidated piecemeal or in successive fractions rather than in a lump sum."

Leaving aside real estate and house-building transactions, instalment-selling began on a large scale in the book trade, and soon was developed in respect of furniture and household goods, sewing-machines and pianos.

There were two main reasons for its rapid growth as applied to motor-cars. The trade encouraged it as relieving the seasonal nature of the business. As for the "consumer," says Professor Seligman, "the ordinary man of modest means who had learned how to construct his home through the building and loan associations and who had had a more or less fortunate experience in buying the necessary furniture for his home through the instalment method, regarded with favour this way of adding to his possessions what he now considered only next in importance to his house and his furniture."

AFTER THE WAR.

"With the end of the war and the release for ordinary purposes of the efforts and funds which had hitherto been mobilised for the conflict, the outlook for increased sales for automobiles became more promising. It was now that the possibilities of the situation began to be realised." Soon the thing got beyond the ordinary marketing arrangements of the motor firms themselves, and so there arose those elaborate and large-scale financing arrangements, of which Professor Seligman gives, as one of the most useful parts of his book, a careful study.

Enterprising business men soon applied to numerous other commodities a system so brilliantly successful in stimulating the motor trade. Some fingers were burned before certain conditions were recognised as essential. "The four characteristics of articles to which instalment credit has been applied are durability, expensiveness, wide separation of payments due, and novelty." Durability is of the greatest importance from the seller's (creditor's) point of view, because "repossession is the outstanding feature of instalment credit, which distinguishes it from other kinds of consumers' credit."

HONEST BOOK-BUYERS.

"The losses or repossessions have become in a real sense the central point of instalment selling in automobiles." In the book trade, on the other hand, repossession seldom is effected in practice—"the value of the recovered article would be less than the expense of recovery—but losses are small there because book-buyers are a respectable class of customers and the payments are not burdensome. The book trade, in fact, furnishes an exception to almost every rule laid down with regard to instalment selling.

Economic theory concerning luxury articles seems to require revision in the light of instalment selling experience, and the subject is discussed fully. The author dismisses the objection made to instalment selling on the ground that it fosters a regrettable tendency to purchase luxuries at the cost of more important comforts and necessaries. The motor car, moreover, is losing its luxury aspect rapidly.

DANGER OF ABUSE.

The "fundamental problem of instalment selling," in actual practice, is said to be connected with "the danger of abuse through the grant of too liberal terms." Such terms are the result, as a rule, of competition for custom. To put a brake on abuse is now the aim of the principal finance corporations concerned in this form of credit. This prompts a discussion of the principles governing these credit operations. Here, without attempting to explain the term, it must suffice to say that Professor Seligman declares for the principle of "recourse" and condemns that of "non-recourse." It will be seen that this new branch of economic study already has its own technical terms.

Professor Seligman's study is receiving the attention of economists all over the world. Its collection of *data* alone is valuable and, so far, unique.

The "record" price of 560 shillings an ounce was paid at Hurcomb's, London, on Friday, for a William and Mary (1694) plain oblong silver inkstand, weighing about 26 ounces.

AN IRISHMAN'S DIARY.

The Need for Bird Sanctuaries : Queer Place Names in County Dublin. Lord Cave's Illness : A Golfing Official : The Lener Quartet. Lawyers on Horseback : A Promising Three-Quarter.

Londonderry "Sweet Jars."

Lady Londonderry, who had to undergo an operation for the removal of her tonsils a day or two after her famous restaurant party, at which champagne was auctioned in the presence of the Home Secretary, is one of the most charming hostesses of the day. She has a huge circle of friends—political, racing and social—a house in London, another in Durham, where she entertains at Wynyard Park, and still another in Ireland at Mount Stewart, where she has the most delightful house parties.

LADY LONDONDERRY.

It is at Mount Stewart that Lady Londonderry has her famous herb gardens. She grows sweet-smelling plants and flowers there, and from them prepares the famous Londonderry "sweet jars," which the Queen and Princess Mary buy whenever they are offered at Lady Londonderry's bazaars for charities.

Bird Sanctuaries.

My suggestion that the Free State Minister for Agriculture might make use of the woodlands under his control for bird sanctuaries has provoked an interesting controversy with a well-known bird enthusiast, who argues, not unreasonably, that it is the towns which ought to give a lead to the country in this respect.

He points out that it is notorious that the average Irish peasant cares nothing about birds or animals except in their economic aspect, and in his treatment of them is often very cruel. We all are accustomed to the sight of bands of boys hunting for "The Wran" on St. Stephen's Day, and the destruction of bird life on that day alone must be enormous.

My friend argues that until teachers take up the matter in the country districts very little can be done; but a bird sanctuary in Dublin is, beyond doubt, very badly needed.

A Story.

An amusing story comes to me from Waterford. The distributing station for the Shannon power is in course of erection, and a German foreman was inspecting one of his subordinates swinging a plumb-line. The foreman remarked that he did not think the line was plumb. "Sure, sir," was the reply, "it's more than plumb."

The Action Francaise.

In spite of a lively controversy in the *Nineteenth Century*, in which Cardinal Bourne intervened, the condemnation of the *Action Française* has attracted little attention in this country; but its effects in European affairs may be very considerable, indeed. The idea has been spread here that the condemnation was ineffective. Mr. Denis Gwynn effectually disposes of this idea in his book, "The *Action Française* Condemnation," in which he traces the controversy from the beginning, and shows that the die-hard militarist party in France has been crippled.

I doubt if the appointment of Sir William Tyrrell, a Roman Catholic, as Ambassador in Paris would have been possible a few years ago, when the campaign of Messrs. Maurras, Daudet, and their friends, had identified the Roman Catholic Church with a policy of reaction and hatred of Germany.

Trinity College Library.

The Library of Trinity College, Dublin, is certainly the longest, and, possibly, one of the finest, of the single library rooms of Europe. Although the College itself was founded at the end of the sixteenth century, the room dates from the first half of the eighteenth century, and the two oak staircases are all that is left of the splendid earlier structure.

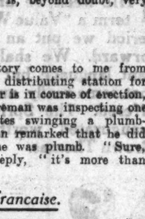
The room is built in a spacious and dignified manner on double rows of carved Irish oak pilasters, with a line of marble busts each side commemorating the men of renown trained in the College.

The total of library books has now reached 400,000, including manuscripts. The oldest manuscript is that of a papyrus of the Egyptian Book of the Dead, dating from the time of Moses. A Caxton is also to be seen, and the first book that was ever printed in Ireland. Two of the greatest treasures of the College are the Book of Kells and the Book of Durrow—Ireland's most beautiful books—said to date from the eighth century.

Trinity College Long Room is open to visitors daily, and in Civic Week some 3,000 people came to inspect it. These were mostly Dubliners, who realised for the first time that there were treasures at their door.

The Lord Chancellor's Health.

The news that Lord Cave, who went to Bath to be treated for rheumatism, has been transferred to a nursing home has caused concern to Ministers at Westminster. Apart from personal reasons arising from the affection with which his lordship is regarded, his colleagues are anxious that the necessity should not arise at present to make an appointment to the Woolsack. Sir Douglas Hogg, who, as Attorney-General, has a prescriptive claim to the post, has no desire to leave the House of Commons yet; and, if Lord Birkenhead wishes to return to judicial work, it will be difficult to pass him over in favour of any other candidate. Thus, an exceedingly awkward situation would arise; but it is hoped that it may be avoided.



LORD CAVE.

Robert Emmet in German Drama.

A correspondent, writing from Berlin, gives me a most interesting account of the great play, by Wolfgang Goetz, of which Hobert Emmet is the hero. It was produced recently at the State Theatre, Stuttgart, and attracted very great attention. In this version Emmet's fate is represented as having been brought about by his "exaggerated chivalry, his ardent patriotism, as a man possessing the most eminent intellectual qualities, a brilliant and stirring speaker and the beloved of his adherents."

Sarah Curran and Anne Devlin are the other leading characters, and Goetz shows that it was Emmet's voluntary return to Dublin after he had escaped capture by his English enemies that cost him his life and that it was to see Sarah again that he came back. There are, indeed, many variations from historical truth in the version. Herr Goetz has put on record that he regarded Emmet as another Danton, and that "his speech before the Court placed him on an equality with Socrates."

Incidentally, my correspondent mentions that there is to-day in the Library of the University of Bonn a copy of Dr. Madden's "United Irishmen" bearing the *ex libris* or name-plate of the celebrated poet and critic, August Wilhelm von Schlegel. My correspondent suggests that Wolfgang Goetz's fine play should be translated and that, if capably performed in Dublin, its success would be assured.

An Author Peer.

Lord Gorell, who has been elected Chairman of the Society of Authors in succession to Mr. W. B. Maxwell, spent some four years on the editorial staff of *The Times* after leaving Balliol, and started authorship with a volume of poems entitled "Love Triumphant." Then came the war, and while recovering from wounds in hospital, Major Gorell-Barnes, as he then was, thought to amuse himself by writing a detective story. The result was "Out of the Blue," which had so much success that he followed it up with "In the Night" and a number of other thrillers.

He still finds fiction-writing the best of all relaxations from the political duties which now chiefly occupy his time, and he has sought to benefit his fellow-craftsmen by means of a bill protecting authors against "vexatious proceedings" for libel in regard to the use of names. Though twice introduced, his bill has not yet reached the Statute Book, but he means to try again.

A Golfing Official.

Mr. J. K. Quail, who has been elected captain of the Ministry of Justice Golfing Society, has had a long and varied experience of games and sports. His many friends in sporting and legal circles (he is Assistant Registrar of Deeds) will hardly credit it that he captained the Leinster Cycle Club forty-five years ago, and on the "penny - farthing" type of cycle was no mean performer on the track.

MR. J. K. QUAIL.

About the same time he figured in cross-country events with success, notably in 1886, when, from many competitors, he won premier honours at Baldoyle in the six miles open. As a lawn tennis player he was selected for many years on the first team of the Clontarf Club, of which he was captain. About twelve years ago he became interested in golf, and joined the Skerries Club, where, his ability being recognised, he was quickly invited to join the committee, and in a short time became a most popular captain.

On his return, a few years ago, to reside in Dublin, he was elected a member of the Castle Golf Club, and there he is a well-known and popular figure. His hobbies include chess and Latin verse.

Church as Picture Theatre.

With regard to my paragraph, "Church As Theatre," a friend reminds me that the Plaza Picture House, Dorset street, Dublin, which is situated near the house where Richard Brinsley Sheridan was born, once was the Bethesda Church.

In the same neighbourhood, at 36 Lower Dominick street, the great mathematician, Sir W. Rowan Hamilton, at one time Royal Astronomer of Ireland, was born.

A New Three-quarter.

I believe that England's Rugby selectors already have turned a favourable eye on F. M. Heywood, the old Hailebury schoolboy, who is now in his first year at Cambridge. Heywood was deputy to Rowe Harding on the left wing of the Light Blues' three-quarter line last term, and he may be said definitely to have won his spurs thus early in his career. Indeed, I believe that Harding—always one of the most modest of footballers—made a secret of his belief that Heywood was a better player last term than himself.

Harding, being captain of the team, naturally played in the match against Oxford, so Heywood will have to wait until next December for his Blue. If he steers clear of injury, I have that he will be very much in the limelight next season. Other noted Rugby players turned out by Haileybury in recent years include George Stephenson, Ireland's captain; F. W. Roberts, the Yorkshire centre, and H. P. Marshall, the Harlequins' forward.

When they Spared Not the Rod.

A correspondent writes:—In view of the recent discussion on the disuse of the rod in the training of children, it is interesting to recall an epithet, in use in Ireland a hundred years ago, descriptive of a schoolmaster.

In the catalogue of Irish MSS. in the British Museum we find a lampoon headed thus: "The following sarcastic lines were written for a man named William Hennessay, formerly a bratslasher, but now a vendor of pork in Mungret street, Limerick," September, 1825.

QUIDNUNC.

Princess Mary's Trip.

Princess Mary's preparations for her trip to Egypt with Viscount Lascelles are now almost complete. She will leave London in a few days, and will travel overland to Marseilles, where she will embark for Port Said. She and her husband will be accompanied by Viscount and Viscountess Boyne. Lady Boyne, who is Lord Lascelles's sister, always has taken a great interest in Red Cross work, and devotes a good deal of time to its organisation in Durham, where her husband has his principal seat, Brancepeth Castle. Of her four children, the baby is the Hon. Rosemary Katherine, who was born seven years ago.

PRINCESS MARY.

The Lener Quartet.

The Lener Quartet came to the front rank of musical performers in a remarkable way. Its members, who are all of one age—thirty-three, to be precise—had been together at the Musical Academy of Budapest, and were members of the Opera orchestra in Budapest in 1918, when revolution broke out in Hungary.

On the motion of Jeno Lener, who is a leader in every sense, they seized on this interruption as a factor deciding them on devotion to chamber music; and, retiring to a remote Hungarian village, they set themselves to master a repertory of quartet music, and to achieve a concerted style so perfect in *ensemble* and so distinct as to place their quartet work not less plainly on the *virtuoso* level than the work of great individual performers.

For two years they gave their whole attention to that aim, and then emerged at an international gathering of musicians at Vienna. Their quality was recognised at once, and the composer Ravel, who was present, drew them to Paris, where they established their reputation, now world-wide. They, in their turn, have made the beautiful Ravel Quartet known everywhere.

More Equestrian Lawyers.

My recent paragraph concerning equestrian lawyers has drawn a heavy correspondence reminding me of persons whom I missed. One of them is Mr. Hubert Hamilton, K.C., who comes of an old Queen's County family and takes a keen interest in horse-flesh. Another is Mr. Hector Hughes, K.C., who hunts regularly with the Hillside Harriers and the Ward Union Staghounds.

The late Edmund Swayne, K.C., had a delightful country house at Delgany, where he kept the hunters with which he used to follow the Bray Harriers. His rapid rise to fame—having "taken silk" in ten years after his call to the Junior Bar—was one of the "records," as his early death was one of the tragedies, of the Irish Bar.

The late Dr. Falconer, K.C., kept behind his house at Fitzwilliam square a horse on which in his leisure-time he used to ride round to visit his friends. For many years Senior Crown Prosecutor for County Tipperary, and "father" of the Leinster Circuit, he belonged to an earlier generation, as did the late County Court Judge David Fitzgerald, who also was a well-known figure in and about Dublin on horse-back.

His brother, the late Gerald Fitzgerald, was a Land Commissioner, who was just as great a lover of exploring County Dublin afoot as the County Court Judge was of jogging about on horse-back.

Old Inn Names.

Travellers along the wide and well-used "Naas road" must often wonder at the strange names of places that occur even within a short radius of the city. First there comes "Blue-Bell" and "Robin-Hood," then "Fox-and-Geese"; next we have "Red-Cow," then "Bushel-Loaf," with "Shoulder-of-Mutton" at the Newlands Golf Links entrance, and "Bedless Hill"—suggesting rather the need of a hostelry—a little further on. But there is no doubt that these names originally belonged to inns or public-houses long since disappeared. For in the "good old days," it must be remembered, the Naas road was the great highway and artery of the country, leading not only to Naas, but to Cork, Limerick, and the whole South of Ireland.

There were no railroads, no motors, no aeroplanes or 'buses. This was the road of the old coaching days, which every traveller faring South must take willy-nilly, and he must have his refreshments, too. Hence the still existent names of these old inns and hostelries—a goodly number, too—within so short a radius!

Mr. Joseph Devlin.

"I met in the House of Commons Lobby this afternoon," writes a London friend, "a rare visitor in the person of Mr. Richard Hazleton, who for nearly ten years was Nationalist member for Galway. He came to Westminster when he was thirty, and at once showed that the reputation he had brought as an eloquent speaker was well founded. As he is still on the right side of fifty, he may yet return to parliamentary life.

MR. J. DEVLIN.

"To my question when Mr. Joseph Devlin is coming back to Westminster, he replied, 'At the next election for Fermanagh and Tyrone.' But Mr. Devlin has become so absorbed in Ulster politics that he may prefer to remain there, thus eclipsing both the gaiety and the interest of the House of Commons. There was an idea that he might succeed Mr. T. P. O'Connor in the Scotland Division of Liverpool, but that seems to have been set aside for the moment."

INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY DANCE.

Between 600 and 700 people attended an international hockey dance held in the Plaza Ballroom, Dublin, last Saturday night. The members of the Welsh and Irish teams, who had met that afternoon, as well as the officials of the Hockey Unions of Wales and Ireland, attended the function, which proved to be a completely enjoyable affair. Those present included:—A. J. Burnley, President Irish Hockey Union; C. S. Waugh, Hon. Secretary; J. S. McMahon, President Midland Branch, Irish Hockey Union; J. F. Crawford, W. F. McDowell, T. S. C. Dagg, N. Redmond, W. Morgan, President Welsh Hockey Union; E. Dunn, Hon. Secretary do. Officials—Messrs. W. Wallace, A. Powell, E. Angel, A. H. Bates, A. M. Boyd, Scottish umpire; Dr. J. McCausland, President Munster Branch, Irish Hockey Union; Cecil Lavery, J. B. Ganly.

Publicity is not the only thing we want; we want intelligibility in balance-sheets.—Mr. Ernest Evans, M.P.

TREASURES BOUGHT TO HIDE.

STRANGE ART HOARDS OF MISERLY COLLECTORS.

PACKAGES WHICH ARE NEVER OPENED.

(By "AN ART DEALER.")

THE last chapter in one of the most extraordinary romances of the art world will be opened in a few weeks. The sale will then begin in London of the final instalment of the treasures amassed by Mr. C. H. Hawkins, who was probably the most eccentric collector on record.

He bought old and beautiful things on such a lavish scale that the first sales of his precious property began with the century. Then again auctions which took place between the year 1904 and 1905 attracted world-wide attention, and something like a quarter of a million pounds have already been realised by the dispersion of the curios to date; yet the collector had never looked upon his treasures after he had purchased them.

Although he spent a fortune on art, he bought to hide. His whole pleasure consisted in acquiring. Having beaten his rivals in the sale rooms, or made a capture from a dealer, he had no further interests. He would fight against British and American millionaries for some coveted snuff box or jewelled casket. It might cost him several hundred pounds. He would thereupon give instructions for the curio to be packed securely and sent to his home. On arrival it would be thrown in with other packages and never opened again.

It is difficult to justify such an eccentricity. If a millionaire buys to add to his wonderful collection in his mansion, at least they are always on view for friends to admire. Even earnest students and collectors may frequently obtain permission to see them. Hawkins had acute and fine taste and ample means; yet he never appeared to consider the pleasure his curios could give to himself and others. Instead of the gloriously beautiful home he might have had, his house was merely rooms filled with unopened packing cases and brown paper parcels.

WAREHOUSE APPEARANCE.

Those who visited it when he died, found that it looked more like a warehouse. Not a cord had been loosened. The packages bore the labels of famous art-dealers and auctioneers as when they were sent to him. The sale of his hoard has therefore extended over more than twenty years, and now some of the lovely old jewellery and plate, as well as antique snuff-boxes and trinket-cases, which this strange art miser bought to hide, are to be distributed.

There are misers of art as well as of money, although none has carried the folly to such excesses as the wealthy Hawkins. A young man fresh from his studies and starting life as a doctor in Cheshire, had an agreeable surprise a short while ago when he found himself to be the sole beneficiary under the will of a bachelor uncle who had held himself entirely aloof from his family owing to some early difference. Nobody had suspected his wealth.

His home on the Kent coast was found to be loaded with treasures. He had been wonderfully versatile in his tastes. There were three large rooms stacked with books, including rare editions and autographed copies, and scores of parcels had not been opened since they came from the dealers. There were secret safes made in the walls which concealed lovely miniatures and valuable relics of royalty and famous people; locks of hair, the compasses of a great explorer, the gloves of Wellington, and many priceless mementoes of unhappy kings and queens of the past.

The old miser had inherited a fortune from his father, and, having nothing to do with his time and caring nothing for society, he had spent his days on excursions about the country picking up curios, and had also become a familiar figure at the famous London auction marts. He left little actual cash. It did not amount to five thousand pounds; but the treasures he had bought to hide proved to be worth a fortune.

A WOMAN-HATER.

One of the best known art misers was a man who died an unconverted woman-hater. This was Francis Kimberly, who lived in one house all his life and never once gave it a "spring cleaning." He would never allow a woman to enter it, and he took care to avoid women whenever he went out. He carried this hatred so far that he did not enter shops where he knew women would be serving; and, if by chance he got into one, he would have the attention of a male assistant or walk out again.

For more than fifty years he lived this life, buying all sorts of odd and curious things. Consequently, at his death, there were five rooms packed to the ceilings with valuable curios. There were thousands of books, though he had never read one; packages of prints and pictures which he had never once enjoyed since he bought them. When neighbours entered his house on his death they found the dirt of half a century and these hidden hoards.

What lies behind such stories none can say. It would seem reasonable to conjecture that these misers of art have hidden something more than their costly treasures—perhaps, a romance of broken troth or thwarted ambitions. Otherwise it is hard to reconcile the obvious taste for beautiful things and the humane arts with the unsocial ways of the miser.

STUDIO CABARET.

ENJOYABLE ENTERTAINMENT.

A happy crowd gathered at the Studio Cabaret at the Little Theatre, South William street, Dublin, last Saturday night, and spent a most enjoyable night's dancing.

This was the second occasion on which the Studio Cabaret was opened to the public by the organiser, Madame Bannard Cogley, and it was a striking success.

The dance music was supplied by the Atlantic Beach band. A pleasant interlude was provided by a competition in the "Yale Blues," for which some pretty novelty prizes were awarded. The bizarre and attractive decorations of the hall had been added to during the week by Mr. Harry Kernoff, the artist, with excellent effect.

The principal features of the night were the two sketches produced by the Studio Players. The first was a Western cowboy sketch, by Mr. Arthur Kells, entitled "The Broken Horseshoe." It was a dramatic little piece, very capably acted, that drew forth a storm of approval. Arthur Kells, the author, played the part of the old claim digger, with the lonely cabin in the mountain, with notable success, while Gearoid O'Lochlainn, as the sheriff, and Conor O'Shea, as the bank robber, were of outstanding merit.

The tit-bit of the evening, however, was "The Chinese Cameo," also written by Arthur Kells, in which Joseph O'Dea made a brilliant effort as the "dope-fiend," who told of "the house of a hundred raptures and tomb of a thousand sighs," and the ghastly nightmare story of the "pigtail of Li Fang Fu." Mr. O'Dea had to respond to repeated calls. Miss Evelyn Murphy, a promising young dancer, introduced the piece with a pretty Chinese houri dance.

The stage settings were designed by Mr. Harry Kernoff, and lent a touch of realism to both sketches. Madame Bannard Cogley is to be congratulated on the success that has attended her work.

A SOUTHERN LETTER.

The Cork City Railway Problem: Ratepayers' Position: Harbour Board's Reorganisation Scheme: Effort to Reduce Export Dues on Cattle.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.
CORK, Sunday.

The chief event of interest during the past week was the further effort on the part of the directors of the Great Southern Railways to effect a compromise with local public bodies regarding the upkeep of the Cork City Railway, the abandonment or transfer of which is being sought by the company under the Great Southern Railways (Miscellaneous Purposes) Bill, 1928, which is at present before the Dail. A number of public boards have already taken steps to present petitions against the measure, and it was with a view of effecting an agreement on the matter and saving any further expenditure that the company issued invitations to a conference held here on Friday.

The directors were unable to give actual details or figures regarding the loss entailed on the working of the line and the incidental expenses connected with the upkeep of the two draw-bridges over the River Lee. They have undertaken, however, to facilitate in every possible manner a small sub-committee which it has been suggested should be set up to examine the accounts under the various headings, in order that the actual deficiency may be ascertained.

THE RATEPAYERS' POSITION.

The matter is one of considerable importance so far as the city itself is concerned, as the bridges are extensively used by the general public, and, in fact, are essential to the community. Their removal cannot be permitted; but, at the same time, the citizens are opposed to assuming the responsibility for even a portion of the cost of operating, maintaining and renewing the structures.

The Commissioner for the Borough of Cork points out that, unless the present bill is very drastically amended, there will be an immediate increase of sixpence in the £ in the city rates. Under an agreement between the railways and the local authorities the company have free use of the streets through which the loop-line runs, in return for the free use of the bridges by the citizens. No further step can be taken in the matter until after the members of the sub-committee have examined the accounts and made their recommendations to the public bodies concerned, with whom the final decision rests.

The question of the sub-committee's appointment will be discussed at the various boards during this week, and, if the suggestion is approved, these bodies will nominate their representatives.

CORK HARBOUR.

With a view of effecting much-needed reforms in the Cork Harbour Board's outdoor department, the Commissioners this week appointed Mr. T. B. Barry as General Superintendent for a period of three years, the appointment to be ratified annually by the Board. When the motion was put forward by Mr. F. J. Daly, the Chairman, the suggestion received a certain amount of opposition from a small section of the members.

It was generally realised that certain defects did exist in the Board's administration, and that some form of reorganisation was absolutely essential if economies were to be effected. Where fault was found was mainly in the manner of the appointment, Mr. Liam de Roiste advocating the invitation of applications for the position by advertisement. He put forward an amendment to that effect, but the Chairman's motion was carried.

Mr. Barry's duties will consist mainly of co-operating with the general manager, Sir James Long, in bringing into being whatever system of reorganisation is adopted by the Board. He is also expected to bring forward further suggestions for the more economic and efficient working of the Commissioners' affairs.

"UGLY KIND OF IDOLATRY."

The spirit of Loyalty in Life is the keynote of the Lenten letter addressed to the parishioners of St. Finn Barr's Cathedral by the Dean of Cork (the Very Rev. Richard Babington). "People may differ about many of their 'loyalties,' he states, "but, still there are some great loyalties about which there can be no difference of opinion and which we should all make the most of and enrich our lives with, and first of these we may put 'Loyalty to home and family.'"

The Dean suggests that the people had not nearly sufficient loyalty to their religion at the present time. Too often, he states, are they inclined to do just as they like, and their religion was really based on the worship of self—simply an ugly kind of idolatry which always made those who followed it hard, narrow and critical.

EXPORT DUES ON CATTLE.

In order that the Cork Harbour Board's revenue may permit a reduction in the export dues on cattle, pigs, sheep, horses and eggs, and also with a view of reducing the import dues on wheat to a sum not greater than the dues on imported flour, the Commissioners are making application under the Harbour, Docks and Piers (Temporary Increases of Charges) Act, 1920, for power to increase the tonnage dues on Atlantic liners to one penny per registered mile. Mr. F. J. Daly, a member of the Board, I understand, waited on the Ministry of Industry and Commerce on the matter, and the result of his interview will be announced at next Wednesday's meeting, but no alteration in the charges can be made, of course, until after formal application is made for the necessary authority.

I may mention that these changes are provided for under the parliamentary bill promoted by the Board last year, but the passage of this measure through the Dail has been delayed.

CHARITY DANCE.

The leap year dance, organised by Mrs. R. M'Keehnie, in aid of the Incorporated Society of ex-Soldiers and Sailors, was an unqualified success, over three hundred people being present at Arcadia last Wednesday. The entertainment was one of unalloyed pleasure, and the distribution of novelties and carnival effects during the evening added to the gaiety.

DUBLIN PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

BRILLIANT ORCHESTRAL PERFORMANCE.

AN ELGAR CONCERTO.

Symphonic Poem, "Phaeton" ..... Saint-Saëns.
Symphony No. 6 in B minor (Pathetic) ... Tchaikowsky.
Concerto for Violoncello ..... Elgar.
Prelude to "Lohengrin" ..... Wagner.
"The Ride of the Valkyries" ..... Wagner.

The fourth concert of the season by the Dublin Philharmonic Society was wholly orchestral. In the past that would have meant a small attendance, but Dublin is alive now to the fact that orchestral music, as opened to understanding through Colonel Fritz Brase's conducting, is strong in appeal. A large audience was drawn by that appeal last Saturday; the Theatre Royal, where, as usual, the concert took place, appeared to be full everywhere.

A more attractive programme hardly could have been devised. First, there was something new, for Dublin, in the "Phaeton" symphonic poem by Saint-Saëns, with whose "Danse Macabre" and "Rouet d'Omphale" we are familiar. The symphony chosen for this concert was Tchaikowsky's "Pathetic," which is, perhaps, the most easily understandable of all symphonic works. Then there was a concerto, with its solo interest, and the fact that it was a work by Elgar drew a welcome in anticipation. Lastly, there was music of Wagner, which Colonel Brase has taught us to expect to yield fresh thrills when he handles it.

Heretofore the attitude of audiences with regard to a local orchestra has been one of anxiety as to whether it would get safely through the difficulties of the music. Here now, however, is Colonel Brase not merely sure of adequate performance, but daring to show off with the orchestra by romping it through some of the music at an extraordinary pace. The Valkyries' Ride certainly was played faster than ever I have heard it before. It was not reprehensible to take it at that pace; for, though something was lost in grandeur, there was gain to the sense of the music's impetuous urge. The Valkyries' spirited steeds were less heroic, so to speak, in the scale of their leaps from rock to rock, but they had more of a snorting fury in their gallop. I think it probable that in time Colonel Brase will come back to the more massive way of handling this music, but I do not object altogether to the special liveliness of his method of last Saturday, taking it as an exceptional stressing of the vigour of the music. Besides, I do not forget that Colonel Brase is only at the beginning of his term with this orchestra—so, at least, we may hope—and it does no harm at this stage for him to seize an opportunity to persuade not only the public, but the players themselves, that the orchestra not merely is competent, but at a pinch can do feats of dazzling bravery. This season has witnessed a remarkable growth of public interest in orchestral music, and for the moment it is policy, if not highest art, to generate a certain amount of excitement.

AN EXCEPTION.

To the other signal instance of Colonel Brase's pace-making drive that occurred last Saturday there was, however, good reason to demur, because it entailed nothing but loss. It came in what ought to have been the climax of the third movement of the Tchaikowsky symphony. That is the spirited march movement, in which the brisk and jagged march theme is worked up to a pitch of barbaric excitement, to be broken off suddenly. After a pause the theme makes a great effect by stamping along almost in *maestoso* fashion. The ear expects such a delivery of the music; it is for this that the excitement was checked. The heavy orchestration points to the same thing. It clinches the climax. On Saturday, however, the conductor lost that effect by not merely resuming, but intensifying the rush that the composer deliberately had pulled up. At his headlong speed the parts—those of the brass, especially—were unplayable, and the strings could not get the right weight of tone. Climax was lost in confusion.

The criticism refers only to one minute in a symphony that lasted more than half an hour. In other respects the performance was admirable, and the conductor made the music yield a steady growth of interest. Often though I have heard this symphony, I found the interpretation last Saturday rich in points of fresh charm. A wonderful tenderness was imported into the music of the first movement. The interpretation there revealed the conductor's upbringing on the music of the German romantics: it suddenly seemed to be almost Weber-like. In the *allegretto* movement I liked the careful phrasing. Just a shade more and it might have seemed over-phrased. As it was, it was supremely eloquent, especially in the little sighing utterances of the wind parts. The music, despite the fault of which I have written, really was brilliant, and the audience rightly deemed it worthy of a special round of applause. The last movement almost plays itself as regards expression, yet the exquisite refinement of the phrasing, especially as applied to the wistful last theme, in which the 'cellos exercise the singing quality to such effect, made the performance distinctive.

REFINEMENT AND POLISH.

The same degree of refinement and polish was applied to the rest of the programme, and led to effective delivery of music that had a descriptive character, such as the "Phaeton" piece by Saint-Saëns. That, however, must not be set above the delicacy of the performance of Elgar's music in his 'cello concerto. The orchestral part in that concerto has more than usual importance. Orchestral performance of it made the concerto seem quite a different work from that which was heard at the Abbey Theatre two or three years ago, when Miss Ida Starkie had it in the programme of her recital there. The themes took on altogether different proportions. One, in particular, which, when the work was performed with a pianoforte representation of the orchestral score, had struck me as the central theme of the concerto, proved to be only incidental in character; while, as an instance of the reverse process, the principal subject of the first movement can be mentioned as assuming greater value in orchestral performance.

As the soloist, Mrs. O'Reilly—the Miss Ida Starkie of the former performance—gripped attention by her artistic delivery of the 'cello solo music. Most of it is suave and graceful, but brisker episodes occur. The performer persuaded the audience of her grasp of all aspects of the work. She was acclaimed right heartily, and after the performance of the concerto there was a performance of another kind, in which a diminutive toddler, in a white sailor suit, was busy with bouquets and other tributes.

It is a great matter to be able to rejoice in the emergence in Dublin of a soloist, a conductor, and an orchestra able to spread before us so lovely a modern work as this concerto by Elgar.

OBLIGATO.

A BELFAST CONCERT.

SELECTIONS FROM WAGNER'S WORK.

The programme at the popular concert in the Ulster Hall, Belfast, last Saturday night, consisted chiefly of operatic selections from Wagner's works, played on the organ by Captain C. J. Brennan, Mus. Bac., City Organist. The prelude to "Lohengrin" received a musicianly rendering, and Siegfried's Funeral March ("Dusk of the Gods"), realistically presented in sombre tone-colour, was worthy of the cordial *encore* which followed. The *finale* and Love-death from "Tristan and Isolde" was also *encored* for its beauty of interpretation, and the other excerpts from "The Valkyrie" and "Tannhäuser" were much enjoyed.

Miss Edith de Pauley, a cultured coloratura soprano, sang the Polonaise from "Mignon" with charm, and was compelled to reappear. She was also successful in songs by Parry and Butterworth, and was again recalled. Miss de Pauley has a very beautiful voice, pure and flexible, but more warmth of feeling would improve her method. Songs were sung by Mr. John Ross, who gained high distinctions at the recent musical competitions. He has a fine baritone voice, and his singing of "Mesmates," by Dear, was very effective.

The brilliant young pianist, Miss Fl. Shaw, won the popular favour by her really splendid rendering of a sonatine by Ravel and, later, she played a couple of compositions by Chopin, being *encored* on both occasions. The accompaniments were played by Mr. J. McKeown in his usual accomplished manner.

DANCE AT THE METROPOLE.

An enjoyable cinderella dance, lasting from 8 to 12 o'clock, was held in the Metropole Ballroom, Dublin, on Saturday night. The select company was just large enough not to crowd the floor, and nearly all present were good dancers. The music was supplied by the Rogers May band.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.

The Hamburg-Amerika Line announces the opening of an Ecclesiastical Bureau at 28 Broadway, New York, which has been established to render the utmost service to members of

TRADE PROSPECTS IN FREE STATE.

COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS HOPEFUL.

HOTELS THAT REQUIRE IMPROVEMENT.

Mr. Laurence J. Redmond, presiding at the sixty-first annual meeting of the Irish Commercial Travellers' Association, held in the Central Hotel, Dublin, on Saturday night, in proposing the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, said that the conditions of trade at the present day were much more cheering than for some years past. The peace and security which the country now enjoyed made for brighter and better trade. (Hear, hear.) These prospects are being felt all over the country, and, judging by the information which their members had brought in, everything indicated an all-round improvement. (Applause.)

The economic schemes which had been introduced by the Government would, in a short time, be a great benefit to the country. The condition of the roads was a great incentive to trade, and were a boon to commercial travellers; and, if the present rate of improvement of the roads went on, in a year or so they would have as good motor roads as any other country possessed. (Hear, hear.)

THE HOTELS.

With regard to the hotels in the State, they had a number of them which were making efforts in the right direction, and they had several good hotels. They had also many hotels which were not as they should be, and no real effort to improve them was being made.

The remedy, he said, lay with the Government, and, in view of the importance of tourist traffic and the trade of the country generally, it was up to the Government to say that no one would be allowed to put up the word "hotel" on their premises unless they provided reasonably good hotel accommodation. (Hear, hear.)

INDISCRIMINATE TARIFFS.

Referring to statements that had been made by a kindred association, he said that the Irish Commercial Travellers' Association did not share these views. (Hear, hear.) Tariffs in special cases, he said, might be necessary and advantageous to struggling industry, but indiscriminate tariffs, such as were urged by this kindred association, would be most unwise. Their kindred association also favoured a tax on all outside commercial travellers coming into the Free State.

"We have," he declared, "no sympathy with such a proposal. (Applause.) All that we desire is perfect freedom of action for all commercial travellers, subject, of course, to the legal restrictions already existing." (Hear, hear.)

Concluding, the Chairman said that during the lifetime of their Association more than £40,000 had been distributed in grants to widows and orphans of their deceased members, and personally he felt very proud of this work. There were too many travellers' associations; union was desirable, and that Association was at all times ready to receive proposals from the kindred bodies with a view to union. After all unity was a most desirable thing, and it was by unity that they did most good. (Applause.)

Mr. Ruttledge seconded, and the report and statement of accounts were adopted.

ASSOCIATION'S GOOD WORK.

Votes of thanks were passed to the outgoing honorary officers and to the honorary subscribers, and the proposer of the latter motion mentioned what a great help the manufacturers had been in establishing the Association. It had now existed for sixty-six years, and he would like to mention that during that time the Association had, in looking after the families of deceased members, relieved the honorary subscribers of demands, which in the absence of this Association they would be called on to, at least, consider. Therefore, the Association deserved the support of the honorary subscribers.

THE REPORT.

The annual report showed that the revenue for the year amounted to £812 4s. 4d., and there was a credit balance of £3,341 16s. 7d.; the present market value of the investments was £3,943 19s. 9d., being £261 10s. in excess of the figures shown in the account.

A sum of £223 13s. 4d., being two-thirds of the income, was expended in benevolent works. Fourteen new members were elected during the year. Several complaints were made by members as to the hotels in which they put up, and in some cases satisfaction was immediately given when the hotels were written to. The committee was acting in co-operation with the Tourist Association, and as a result they hoped that much improvement would result.

SHANNON ELECTRICITY NEXT YEAR.

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Bill, and the Minister for Industry and Commerce promised, if necessary, to introduce supplementary legislation to safeguard their interests.

PROMPT SOLUTION WANTED.

Soon after taking up office the Electricity Supply Board discussed the problem of how these interests could be dealt with, and decided that the fairest way to approach a solution of the problem would be for the Board to interview each individual interest concerned and to discuss the whole problem with them. The Board, accordingly, issued an advertisement inviting the unauthorised undertakers to communicate with them for the purpose of arranging an interchange of views.

A solution of the problem of the existing undertaking is urgent, because if the towns concerned are to get the benefit of a Shannon supply immediately it is available then before that date the necessary work of reconstructing or adapting the existing town distribution network must be completed.

This work involves a certain amount of engineering office work or design apart from the outdoor constructional work, and in view of the number of towns to be dealt with the technical problem must be tackled at an early date.

ACQUISITION BY BOARD.

The Board have, therefore, been pressing forward towards a solution and, having through the interviews got a good general idea as to the nature of the problem, they hope to advance towards its solution by immediately entering into a more detailed examination of each individual case.

The Board have in general the impression that the interests of all—the consumer, the existing owners and the State—would best be served by the acquisition of these undertakings by the Board.

The powers of the Board in this respect are determined by Clause 38 (2) of the Electricity (Supply) Act. Under it the Board may acquire these undertakings by agreement with the owners. They have no compulsory powers.

How far it will be possible to solve the problem by agreement as to purchase terms is a question which only a detailed examination of each case and definite negotiations can decide. The Board propose to explore the possibilities immediately on these lines, beginning with the undertakings in the south-east area.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES' WORKS.

Apart from the unauthorised undertakings above mentioned, there are a number of towns where local authorities are at present operating distribution networks, such as Dundalk, Bray, Navan, Kildare, Swinford, Thurles, Wicklow, Wexford and Clonmel.

The Board has already had an opportunity of discussing the future of the Shannon supply in these areas with some of the interests concerned, and will take an early opportunity of discussing it with the rest. Negotiations are proceeding with three of these areas—Dundalk, Wexford and Clonmel—on the subject of the acquisition of their undertakings.

In view of all the discussion of last year about confiscation, it is interesting to note that the Board acted in all these three cases at the request of the local authority.

WHERE ELECTRICITY DOES NOT EXIST

TO BE SUPPLIED AS FAR AS POSSIBLE WITH CURRENT.

As regards towns and villages where no electricity supply at present exists, starting off with centres with a minimum population of 500 as basis, these number approximately 130.

The Board has mapped out a definite programme for the electrification of these towns and villages, so that immediately Shannon current is available as many as possible will get the benefit of it. The distribution network for these towns and villages will be built and operated by the Board. Shortly after the formation of the board a department was set up for the design of these networks.

Looked at from the viewpoint of Shannon income they are of minor consequence, but the Board have felt themselves bound to look at it from another viewpoint—namely, that the State's investment was intended for the whole country, and that, as far as economic conditions permitted, the man living in a small village should get the same consideration as the inhabitant of Greater Dublin.

ELABORATE INVESTIGATION.

In the design of even a small town network, there is much work which the ordinary layman hardly realises. A survey must first be made of the town, and the houses and business premises classified in such a manner as to enable an estimate to be made of the possible consumption of electricity in them. For this purpose the Board has divided the houses and premises into five different classes, and each house must be classified accordingly.

Separate particulars must be obtained for the larger institutions, such as County Homes, hospitals, convents, schools, hotels, etc. An exact power survey of the town must be made; every steam, gas, or oil engine, or private electrical installation must be located, and all particulars with regard to it obtained, so that when the town network is being designed these probable loads can be considered.

The Board's staff has so far completed the survey of 75 such towns and villages. As each survey is completed, it is sent in by the outdoor staff to the office, and work is begun on the design of the network.

GROUPING OF TOWNS.

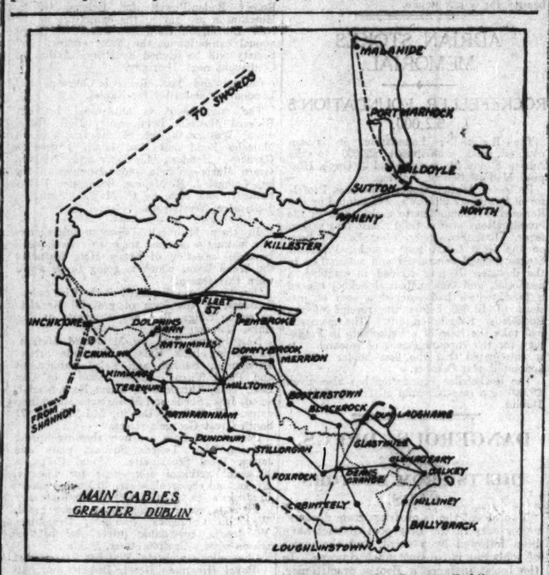
When a certain stage in the design has been reached, further visits to the town concerned are necessary to fix the location of local transformer stations, pole and cable positions. These being completed, the design staff must then get out the specification, with schedule of quantities, etc., and the work then goes to open tender.

In putting the work to tender the Board are taking the towns in groups of about 8 to 10 at a time. The advertising columns today contain the announcement of the invitations for tenders for the first group: Naas, Newbridge, Celbridge, Kilcock, Maynooth, Rathangan, Maryborough, and Mountmellick.

Groups will be ready to go to tender from this on at intervals of a month to six weeks at a time.

The next group will include: Kilkenny, Stradbally, Abbeyleix, Durrow, Freshford, Castlecomer, Ballyragget, and Rathdowney.

The Leinster towns have been selected for first attention as the Shannon network for this area is complete, and it is hoped to have a number of these town networks constructed and the house connections made before next winter, and, pending Shannon supply, to give them a temporary supply of electricity from Dublin.



This plan shows the main electricity "highways" for Greater Dublin, referred to in the report of the Electricity Supply Board.

PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN PLANNED.

FILMS, LECTURES AND ADVERTISEMENTS.

The Board feel that the whole future of the country is wrapped up to a great extent in the National Electrification Scheme, in which so much of the State's money is invested. Accordingly, they are extremely anxious that the public should be kept as fully informed as possible as to the progress of the scheme. They further realise that a great deal of publicity, propaganda and education will be necessary to secure the Shannon load and to bring home to the individual the benefits which a cheap and abundant supply of electricity can bring to him.

They propose, therefore, to establish, within the organisation of the Board, a Public Relations Department which will be charged with the duty of looking after all these matters. This department will keep the Press fully informed of the activities of the Board, and will likewise engage on a broad campaign of publicity and electricity propaganda through newspaper advertisements, film advertisements, educational films, educational matter for the schools and colleges, lectures, etc.

CHAIN OF SHOWROOMS.

As the Board realise that practical demonstration is more valuable and more likely to bring in immediate results than any other form of propaganda, they propose to erect a chain of showrooms through the country, so that when electricity is available in the towns and villages a showroom will be within the reach of each town and village where the inhabitants can go to see for themselves the practical applications of electricity to small industries and to home life.

The Board recently sent the managing director to the United States to study the methods adopted there in this regard, and it is hoped that this visit will be productive of immediate good.

The Board is at present working out a detailed programme with regard to this department. As the Board is strongly of opinion that the citizens should know more of the constructive work that is proceeding on the Shannon scheme at Limerick they have accepted an offer from Messrs. Pathé Freres to make a film of the constructional work, which film will be shown in the Pathé Gazette and Pictorial throughout the picture houses of the country.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

IRISH TOBACCO.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—Your leading article in to-day's issue repeats a rather misleading statement of the Minister of Agriculture, which I hope you will allow me to correct. Mr. Hogan stated in the course of his speech yesterday that "the subsidy for Irish-grown tobacco for the last three or four years was something like £100 *per* acre, either directly or indirectly." As no direct subsidy whatever has been given for Irish-grown tobacco since 1923, Mr. Hogan must refer to the preference of one-sixth in the Customs duty—namely, one shilling and sixpence *per* lb. allowed on home-grown tobacco—and that the Sacrstat manufacturers actually pay for the produce of an acre of home-grown tobacco £100 less tax or duty than for a similar weight of tobacco produced abroad.

These figures are so different from the real facts of the case that Mr. Hogan must have been supplied with wrong information or his words must have been misreported. The real cause of the failure of the Irish experiment is not that good tobacco cannot be produced, but that in its own country it is taxed out of existence by a duty equivalent to 700 *per cent. ad valorem*.—Yours, etc.,

NUGENT TV. EVERARD.

Randlestown, Co. Meath,
March 3rd, 1928.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—One does not expect to find the *Irish Times* misleading public opinion; yet in your leading article of to-day's issue on the failure of Irish tobacco culture you submit two reasons for that failure, the first of which is false by implication and the second false in fact.

The first reason—"it has been beaten by the overpowering competition of a foreign industry"—implies that the competition was in a fair field. Ireland of all the countries that grow tobacco is the only one that has to pay a heavy excise on tobacco for home consumption; all the others have their home-grown tobacco for home consumption duty free or practically so, and export their surplus to compete with our home-grown taxed tobacco.

The second reason, that people refused to smoke it, is absolutely false. Hundreds of Irishmen smoked Irish tobacco in pipe, mixtures and plug, in cigarettes and cigars, and found it good. Hundreds more smoked it in mixture and plug in conjunction with foreign leaf and never knew the difference, and there are, alas! hundreds of "patriotic" Irishmen who have only to be told that they were being offered Irish tobacco to declare it filth without trial and refuse to smoke it. Irishmen for some years past have been smoking mixtures of American, Rhodesian, South African and Indian tobaccos, not one of which would they care to smoke "straight," with the exception of the finer grades of American; and they could, and would, smoke Irish tobacco mixed in the same proportions, could the manufacturers be induced to use it; but Colonial preference made it pay them better to use very inferior Indian tobacco, which they could get for practically nothing, or even find themselves paid to use, and cry down the home-grown stuff.

The failure of Irish tobacco-growing is due to neither of these reasons, but solely and entirely to the greed of the Irish Treasury. They have continuously and consistently striven to wreck the industry because it would mean a loss of revenue. The Irish Government appointed a Commission of all shades of party and opinion to inquire into the matter. That Commission unanimously recommended the fostering of the industry and a rebate of two-thirds of the duty. The Government turned down the recommendations of their own Commission because the Treasury said, "loss of revenue." In other words, they preferred the prosperity of the Treasury to the prosperity of a most promising industry. They refused to give the Irish tobacco the reduction of duty, which would have cost the Treasury £10,000 a year, when the industry should have been established, because they said it amounted to a subsidy; and they gave, and are giving, a subsidy of £55,000 a year to growing sugar which is a drug on the market and can only be sold at a loss. God save Ireland!—Yours, etc.,

R. H. METGE.

Athlumney, Navan, March 3rd, 1928.

"HANDS OFF THE CALENDAR."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—The extraordinary outburst by your Astronomical Correspondent which appears under the above heading in your issue of March 2nd may possibly carry undue weight with many of your readers, who are accustomed to rely on Mr. Ellison's information on matters which he understands. One is used to criticisms of the League of Nations, but rarely have I seen so many mis-statements and misconceptions about it in so small a space. The reform of the Calendar is not a matter about which people feel much concern, but the desirability of it has been urged for a number of years by business people and statisticians, on purely practical grounds of convenience. Whether they are right or wrong need not be argued here, but one thing is obvious: if the Calendar is to be reformed it must be done by international action. Haphazard and divergent national action would merely leave matters worse than before. That is why the League of Nations was brought in, to investigate the whole matter, and to inquire whether agreement could be reached by the nations, first, as to the desirability of reform and, second, as to precise changes necessary.

Mr. Ellison makes two charges—first, that the scheme emanated from Moscow. For this he gives no particle of evidence, and, until he does, the suggestion can be flatly denied. It seems a peculiarly fatuous insinuation, considering the refusal of the Soviet Government to have dealings with the League.

The other charge is that the matter has been kept secret; it is a "dastardly plot" which Mr. Ellison is "unmasking." That also is sheer nonsense. Some years ago the League openly appointed a committee, which took evidence in public from many persons interested, and has published its "Report on the Reform of the Calendar," with an annex giving summaries of all the suggestions put before it. These documents have been on sale since 1926, and can be obtained and read by any persons who care to verify their statements before rushing into print. The list of the Committee cannot be given in full. It contained, not "Reds" or faddists, but both scientific and business people; also, on account of the importance of the question of Easter, representatives appointed by the Pope, the Patriarch of Constantinople and the Archbishop of Canterbury. These three were all men with astronomical as well as theological qualifications. The suggestions of the committee may be wise or unwise, but they are seriously made, and there has been no attempt to conceal them.

Still less is there in the suggestion that the new Calendar might have been foisted on an unknowing world, if Mr. Ellison had not woke up to it (after two years, indeed, but still in time) and given the alarm. For the League to make a change of this kind with "no opportunity of discussion" is quite impossible; it can merely make recommendations for the Member-States to take up if they wish. Thus Mr. Ellison is quite correct in saying that the Imperial Parliament could stop the project. So could the Parliament of Northern Ireland, so far as its own area is concerned. The notion that the League ever contemplated making such changes over the heads of the sleeping Parliaments could not have been made by anyone possessing the slightest knowledge how the League works.

Obviously, from his last paragraph, Mr. Ellison has not that knowledge. He repeats the old fallacy that the only object of the League, when founded, was to prevent war; but in the forefront of the Covenant is written its other object, "to promote international co-operation." Its work for the world's health, for facilitating transport and trade, for social improvement, for spreading knowledge, is as important as its direct work for peace, as a host of impartial persons testify. In health matters it brings together health experts. In scientific matters it brings together scientific experts. As against the opinion of Mr. Ellison, that it has no business to meddle with science, we must set the opinion of some of the most eminent scientists of the world. Would persons of the standing of Einstein, Lorentz, Bose, Millikan and Madame Curie think it worth while to devote their time and energy to assisting the scientific sides of the League's work if it were so valueless—indeed, pernicious—as Mr. Ellison supposes?

One can appreciate Mr. Ellison's superstitious objections to Calendar reform, though they are scarcely the objections one would anticipate from a scientist and a clergyman; but when he attacks the League for a series of reasons not one of which has the slightest basis he must be put—where he says he is putting the League—"quite quietly, but firmly, in his place."—Yours, etc.,

BOLTON C. WALLER,
Secretary, The League of Nations Society of Ireland.
31 Mespil road, Dublin,
March 3rd, 1928.

PORTMARNOCK STRAND.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—It is welcome news that the Portmarnock Development Committee have succeeded in getting the sanitary authorities to take steps to ensure that the camping at Portmarnock shall be carried out in such a manner as to cease to be a danger to the health of the community, as in former years. The thanks of all residents are due to them for their action in this matter, and it is to be hoped that they will continue the good work and secure that the rowdyism hitherto permitted shall be stopped. The hours when most people are in need of rest—from midnight till 2 or 3 o'clock—are chosen by gangs of irresponsibles to parade the roads, especially in front of dwellings, making the night hideous with the din of shouting and the playing of musical and unmusical instruments. If the night is wet, the noise is concentrated in a few tents, but not abated.

Nothing whatever has been done to stop this nuisance, and it is adding insult to injury for a Portmarnock resident, after a sleepless night, to read in the morning paper that the Civic Guards are taking effective measures to prevent their towns from becoming second Portmarnocks. With such a large and varied population as Portmarnock has, it is surely not asking too much to suggest that a couple of Civic Guards should be stationed there during the summer months—encamped there for choice. An occasional patrol during the evening is useless, and, if the Guards themselves had their night's rest disturbed a few times, it would literally "wake them up."

Another aspect of the camping problem is one which would more properly come within the province of the Churches—that is the problem of the mixed camps. To see bell-tents, with three or four girls in them, scattered among similar tents filled with men and in conditions which permit of no privacy whatever, and at the same time to read of the "natural modesty of the Irish" is enough to make an ordinary citizen like myself smile.—Yours, etc.,

"X. Y. Z."

Portmarnock, Co. Dublin,
March 3rd, 1928.

CONNEMARA MAILS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—Connemara is aghast to hear that it is the intention of the Government to make such alterations in the mails as to have the most adverse effect on the tourist traffic and everything relating to the outside world. In fact, it would seem to be an attempt to wipe Connemara and its unfortunate people entirely off the map—and all for the paltry saving of £1,000 *per* year. Surely there must be some business man, if not some statesman, among the Government to prevent this false economy, and to prevent the undoing of all the efforts of the Tourist Association, publicity departments, County Councils, etc.

As it is, Connemara people find it hard enough to exist in a country once described by an Englishman as a place "where worms cannot find a meal or even snakes exist." The Connemara people have proved their loyalty to the Government sufficiently to deserve better at their hands.—Yours, etc.,

"ANXIOUS."

Connemara, March 3rd, 1928.

ENFRANCHISEMENT OF WOMEN.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—The National Council of Women of Ireland are asking for any information that any person can give with regard to the early history of the work for the enfranchisement of women, either by furnishing names of early workers, of societies or groups of women who worked for this object, or of public meetings held in different centres. It is known that Mrs. Haslam, founder of the Irish Women Suffrage and Local Government Association, had friends and colleagues working with her in various centres. A considerable amount of information is already in the hands of the National Council of Women, but this needs to be supplemented by local details.

The International Alliance of Women for Suffrage and Equal Citizenship proposes to bring out a volume dealing with the history of the movement for the enfranchisement of women. The different National Councils affiliated to the Alliance have been asked to supply material for this, among these the National Council of Women of Ireland is included. The Council will be most grateful for any information, which should be sent to Miss Story, at 5 Leinster street, Dublin.—Yours, etc.,

M. STORY, Honorary Secretary.
National Council of the Women of Ireland, 5 Leinster street, Dublin. March 3rd, 1928.

ASSYRIAN REFUGEES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—About two years ago General Agha Petros, who, in the Great War, had led against the Turks the gallant little Assyrian Army—"the smallest of the Allies"—visited Dublin. His visit was in pursuance of a mission to Great Britain and Ireland for financial aid in order to effect a settlement on some land in Haute-Garonne, France, of the survivors of his troops, with their families. It will be remembered that the Assyrian people at the close of the war were without defence against the horrors of Turkish vengeance. General Petros, who is an elder of the Assyrian Church, addressed meetings in Dublin, and spoke at Church Services, giving his audiences the tragic story of his people and his Church.

Will you permit me, as I had the privilege of being a kind of informal secretary to the General during his visit, to inform those interested in his work of rescue that communications have arrived from him renewing his gratitude, and indicating that his aims, to which he devoted all his own means, are being successfully carried out? He has sent me the report of a visit paid to the settlement in Saint-Jory by the Rev. Dr. R. C. Gillie, the well-known Free Church leader in England. The report is very satisfactory. I am placing it in the charge of our Association Secretary, Mr. Henry Craig, 16 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, where it can be read by anyone interested. A sum of £1,300 is still due to Barclays Bank, with a promise of £250 to be forthcoming from two donors this year. I may add that among the members of the Assyrian Refugees' Committee in London are the Rev. Canon Douglas, Sir Henry Lunn and Mr. Oliver Baldwin.—Yours, etc.,

DENHAM OSBORNE.

Dublin, March 3rd, 1928.

TRADERS REMOVED BY POLICE.

EXCITING SCENES IN SOUTH GREAT GEORGE'S STREET.

There were exciting scenes last Saturday morning in South Great George's street, Dublin, when the Civic Guards endeavoured to remove the street traders from their pitches. There has been a considerable amount of trouble in getting these traders to leave this street, and, though provision has been made for them in Great Longford street, which is in the immediate vicinity, they have declined to leave their old stands. Repeatedly they have been arrested, and fines imposed; but to no avail. The reason given for their latest refusal to move is that they claim they are entitled to compensation for disturbance.

MISSILES THROWN AT POLICE.

On Saturday morning, at 10 o'clock, a crisis was reached, when two lorries with Civic Guards drove into the street, and the traders were informed that they must clear out of the street under penalty of arrest. The order was ignored, the women refusing to take away their stalls, which consisted of boxes and barrels laden with fruit and vegetables. A *mêlée* followed, in which the police were pelted with fruit and vegetables and fish of all sorts. There were about forty stalls, and the women, especially the younger element, took up their stand behind the stalls, which served as a barricade, and showered missiles at the police until their stock was exhausted. A large crowd congregated in the street, and traffic was impeded.

A DEMONSTRATION.

The police succeeded in placing a dozen or so of the traders under arrest. They were placed in a lorry, and driven to College street Police Station, shouting and singing popular songs on the way.

By mid-day the excitement had died down, and the police were withdrawn, except those on ordinary duty. Many of the women set up their stalls again, and conducted business as if nothing had happened.

Some, however, moved off and erected their stalls in neighbouring streets.

The traders, who had been placed under arrest, were brought before the District Court and remanded till this morning.

ST. JOSEPH'S ORPHANAGE, KINGSTOWN.

ANNUAL CHARITY SERMON.

The annual charity sermon in aid of St. Joseph's Orphanage, Tivoli road, Kingstown, was preached in St. Michael's Church, Kingstown, yesterday by the Very Rev. F. M. Browne, S.J.

In years gone by, he said, their fathers and they had given generously to the support of the orphanage, which had stood for nearly three-quarters of a century, and for the majority had been a landmark of the township, recalling the untiring energy and unselfish devotion of the gallant band of women who had carried on the noble work founded by Kathleen O'Farrell.

To-day Christ was bringing to them the little orphan girls of St. Joseph's. He brought the little ones of Judea and Galilee to Peter, John, Andrew and James. As He said then He said now: "He who receiveth one of these little ones in My name receiveth Me."

FOOD VALUE OF PLOTS.

THE MOVEMENT IN DUBLIN.

Mr. Thomas Shaw, President, who presided at the annual Congress of the United Irish Plotholders' Union, which was held yesterday at 6 Gardiner's row, Dublin, said that, after persistent effort on the part of their executive, and after the Government had turned down an equitable Allotments Bill introduced by Mr. Thomas Johnson, they passed an Act of their own, not in the interests of the town workers, but in order to ratify the promises of the late Governor-General to fulfil the undertaking made by them on throwing out Mr. Johnson's bill, and to save their face in view of the recommendation of the Greater Dublin Commission. As the Act stood, it was a distinct deterrent instead of an incentive to industrial effort on the part of the class for whose welfare it was supposed to be passed.

They did not ask for a subsidy or a grant, though they submitted that there was no country in Europe which was not giving moral and material support to allotment holders. They felt that, if the Government could be brought to realise the enormous amount of man-power now going waste which could be so usefully employed in building up the material wealth of the State, they would consider it their duty to give, instead of the impossible Act of 1926, a fair and generous measure, under which every man able and willing to work could secure an allotment at a fair rent, of easy access and with reasonable security of tenure.

THE WEALTH OF THE COUNTRY.

Mr. William Field said that the wealth of the country did not consist of the amount of money in the banks. The proper measure of the wealth of the country was the amount of produce of the land as the result of the work of the inhabitants. No greater incentive could be given to those who lived in squalid rooms and slum houses to assist their health than working in the open air. He trusted that the movement would go on and prosper.

The report of Mr. D. McDonnell, general honorary secretary, stated that in the beginning of 1924 the Free State Government handed back to the owners the land which had been compulsorily acquired in 1917 by the British Government, as it was found that they had no further legal right to hold these lands. In the Dublin area alone some 600 plot-holders were dispossessed of their allotments.

ADDITIONAL PLOTS.

In 1922 the Free State Minister for Agriculture promised to introduce in the Dail an allotment bill. The bill was introduced in 1926 by Mr. Thomas Johnson and defeated on the second reading. In 1926 the Government introduced the Acquisition of Land (Allotments) Act, and in July, 1926, it became law. In 1927 two areas were secured—one at Rutland avenue, Dolphin's Barn, accommodating over 100 plotholders, and another at Glasnevin, accommodating 60, and this year they had secured an area in Drumcondra sufficient for about 75. Thus in Dublin alone some 250 plotholders had been provided with allotments under the Act, and this, the Executive was convinced, was only a beginning.

The Secretary also furnished a report covering the work of the Association since its previous congress in 1925. It pointed out that at present there were about 1,200 allotments in Dublin and district. In 1923 there were about 2,000, and in 1919, 3,500.

Taking the annual yield of potatoes as one ton to one-eighth of an acre, the output of potatoes since the inception of the scheme was 25,000 tons. Add to this cabbages, onions and other vegetabes, and it would be seen that the food value of the plots tilled by the workers of Dublin since 1917 was in the neighbourhood of £300,000 and this without taking into account the value of the plots measured in terms of healthy recreation for the plotholder and members of his family.

The Chairman proposed the adoption of the report.

Miss S. C. Harrison seconded the resolution, which was passed.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Mr. Shaw was re-elected President, and Mr. Thomas Cahill was re-elected Vice-President. The following other officials were elected:—Denis McDonnell, Hon. Secretary; Executive—Miss S. C. Harrison, Messrs. H. Lucas, D. Power, P. Corbally, F. J. Dunne and P. Finn.

A series of amendments were submitted to the Acquisition of Land (Allotments) Act, 1926, including one providing for the compulsory acquisition of land by local authorities instead of leaving it to their discretion to acquire such land as the existing Act provides. Other amendments were also proposed, and these were left in the hands of the Executive.

FATAL CYCLE RIDE.

DUBLIN TRAMWAY EMPLOYE KILLED BY 'BUS.

While cycling along the Lucan road last Saturday afternoon Henry Byrne (50), an employé of the Dublin United Tramways Company, of 22 Summerhill, Dublin, was knocked down and killed by an omnibus near the Hermitage Golf Club. He was not identified until 11 o'clock yesterday morning, when his wife read about the accident and went to Steevens's Hospital, where the body was lying.

Mrs. Byrne said that her husband had been on night duty with the Tramway Company, and on coming home in the early afternoon on Saturday had decided to go for a "spin" on his bicycle before he went to bed.

Byrne, it appears, was returning to the city when the accident happened, and it is stated that the omnibus was also going towards the city, and that Byrne was struck from behind. An inquest will probably be held to-day.

On Saturday afternoon James Stapleton, 52 Lower Dominick street, Dublin, the driver of the omnibus, was taken before Mr. G. W. Green, Peace Commissioner, at Lucan, and remanded on bail to the next District Court at Lucan, on the 15th inst.

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CONTRACTS FOR SUPPLIES OF
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TO THE VARIOUS PRISONS, ETC.

The General Prisons Board hereby invite Tenders for the following supplies to Prisons and the Clonmel Institution:—
MEAT and BREAD for the six months commencing 1st April, 1928 (no Tender for Bread in the case of Mountjoy, Portlaoighise and Cork Prisons);
MILK for the twelve months commencing 1st April, 1928.

Particulars and Forms of Tender can be obtained at the Prisons and the Clonmel Institution.

Sealed Tenders, addressed "An Runaidhe, General Prisons Board, Dublin Castle," and endorsed in block capitals "TENDERS," must reach the Board not later than 12 o'clock noon on THURSDAY, 15th MARCH.

By Order, W. McCLURE, Runaidhe.
29th February, 1928.
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CONTRACTS.

ELECTRICITY SUPPLY BOARD.

TENDERS FOR SUPPLY AND ERECTION OF OVERHEAD ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION MAINS AND SERVICES IN THE TOWNS OF CELBRIDGE, KILCOCK, MARYBOROUGH, MAYNOOTH, MOUNTMELLICK, NAAS, NEWBRIDGE AND RATHANGAN.

Tenders are invited for above by the Electricity Supply Board. Specifications, Conditions of Contract, etc., may be obtained from the Secretary, Electricity Supply Board, 60-62 Upper Mount street, Dublin, on and after Monday, 5th March, 1928, on payment of £5, which will be returned on receipt of a bona fide tender.

Tenders, addressed to the Secretary, Electricity Supply Board, 60-62 Upper Mount street, Dublin, and endorsed on envelope "Tender," will be received up to 12 noon on Wednesday, 4th April, 1928.

The Board do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any Tender. THE BOARD MAY, IF IT THINKS FIT, NEGOTIATE WITH THE SUCCESSFUL TENDERER FOR SIMILAR WORK IN THE OTHER TOWNS OF THE SAORSTAT, WITHOUT FURTHER COMPETITIVE TENDER.

(Signed) PATRICK J. DEMPSEY,
Secretary.

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THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

The Governor-General of the Irish Free State, Mr. James McNeill, underwent a slight operation on Thursday in London. The operation was quite satisfactory, and Mr. McNeill is making good progress. He expects to be back in Dublin in a few weeks. Mrs. McNeill, who is with him, is returning to Dublin immediately.

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

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THE LENER STRING QUARTET.
Notice—After the commencement of Recital admission only at intervals stated on programme. First interval afternoon about 3.30, evening about 6.45.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

THE MIDNIGHT HOUR MISSION,
In
DIOCESAN HALL, UPPER BAGGOT STREET,
TO-DAY,
BY
REGINALD T. NAISH.
4.15—"THE BRIDAL HEART."
8. 0—"MY TWO WITNESSES."

FARADAY LECTURE
ON
"ELECTRICITY IN THE SERVICE OF MAN,"
BY
Dr. S. Z. de FERRANTI, F.R.S., M.I.E.E.,
IN THE
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THURSDAY, MARCH 8th, 1928,
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DUBLIN GAELIC LEAGUE FEIS,
Usually held in May,
WILL NOT BE HELD THIS YEAR.
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CORPORATION OF SLIGO.
LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1925.

The Corporation of Sligo hereby give Notice that they propose to apply to the Minister of Local Government and Public Health for an Order authorising the closing of O'Connell street, Grattan street, and Castle street, Sligo, in sections, as required, for a period of about two months from 19th March, 1928.

Alternative routes via Stephen street, Bridge street and Thomas street.

Any person or persons objecting to this shall lodge such objection with the Minister for Local Government and Public Health within a period not less than three days after this date nor more than seven days after same.

JOHN SHEA,
Town Clerk.
March 2nd, 1928.

REGISTRATION OF CLUBS (IRELAND) ACT, 1904.

Take notice that I intend to apply for the Renewal of Certificate of Registration on behalf of the MALLOW CLUB, Mallow, Co. Cork.

W. T. LOWRY, Hon. Secretary.
1st March, 1928.

MEATH COUNTY CRICKET CLUB.

Take Notice that I, on behalf of the above Club, have applied for a Licence under Registration of Clubs (Ireland) Act, 1904, and Intoxicating Liquor Act, 1927, to the Registrar of Clubs for the District Court area of An Naimh, said application to be made at the Circuit Court at Trim on March 28th, 1928.

M. J. SULLIVAN,
Hon. Secretary to Club.

CONTRACTS.

THE ROYAL VICTORIA EYE AND EAR HOSPITAL.

The Council of the above Hospital invite Tenders for the supply of COAL and COKE for six months commencing 1st April, 1928.

Sealed Tenders must be delivered on or before MONDAY, MARCH 12th, 1928, addressed to the Registrar at the Hospital, from whom all information can be obtained.

The lowest or any Tender will not necessarily be accepted.

(By Order),
W. JACKSON, Registrar.

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Tenders are invited for Printing and Stationery Supplies for periods of one and three years.

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MAURICE LOMBARD, Secretary.
59 Upper Sackville street, Dublin,
3rd March, 1928.

COUNTY BOROUGH OF DUBLIN.

TO ROAD CONTRACTORS.

The Commissioners invite Tenders for the Laying of 39,000 Square Yards, approximately, of Asphaltic Concrete and Sheet Asphalt Roadways in the City of Dublin.

Copies of Specification and Conditions of Contract may be obtained on application to the City Treasurer, Exchange Buildings, Lord Edward street, Lubin, on lodgment of the sum of 5s., which is not returnable.

Tenders, sealed and endorsed "Tender for Road Construction," are to be addressed to the Commissioners for the County Borough of Dublin, and delivered at the Office of the undersigned not later than noon on Monday, the 19th March, 1928.

The lowest or any Tender will not necessarily be accepted.

GERALD J. SHERLOCK,
Town Clerk.
City Hall, Dublin, 5th March, 1928.
K.A.A.

DUN LAOGHAIRE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE.

TENDERS FOR SUPPLY OF MILK.

Tenders are invited for the supply of at least 20 gallons of Pure Fresh Milk daily at the Council's Depots, Kilsara avenue and Glasthule, during the three months ending 30th June, 1928, and also during the six months ending 30th September, 1928. Preference will be given to milk produced on local farms.

The Contractor will be required to enter into a Bond with two solvent securities for the due fulfilment of the Contract.

The acceptance of any Tender will be subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health.

Tenders, properly sealed and endorsed "TENDER FOR SUPPLY OF MILK," stating the location of the farm on which the milk is produced, as well as the names and addresses of the proposed sureties, will be received by me up to 4 o'clock p.m. on TUESDAY, the 13th MARCH, 1928.

By Order,
JAMES J. TRISTON, Town Clerk.
Town Hall, Dun Laoghaire,
3rd March, 1928.

LORD CAVE'S PROGRESS.

It was announced last night that Lord Cave continues to make satisfactory progress. He is in a nursing home at Bath, where he underwent an operation last week.

The Irish Times.

MONDAY, MARCH 5, 1928.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

Mr. B. F. Hanrahan, a member of the Lansdowne Rugby Football Club, died in a Dublin hospital yesterday from injuries that he received accidentally while playing in a match in Dublin on Saturday last.—(Page 7.)

At a meeting of the Irish Commercial Travellers' Association on Saturday night in Dublin it was stated that trade prospects in the Free State were much more cheerful than they were some time ago, and members of the Association reported an all-round improvement.—(Page 5.)

It was announced at a meeting of the Royal Ulster Yacht Club at Bangor on Saturday that the Prince of Wales is not coming to Ireland this year, but that he is presenting the Club with a cup for competition.—(Page 7.)

Inspectors of the Department of Agriculture in Dublin examined 7,249 animals in the County Wexford on Saturday and Sunday, and found no traces of foot-and-mouth disease.—(Page 7.)

The annual Congress of the United Irish Plotholders' Union was held in Dublin yesterday.—(Page 5.)

In an important report just issued the Electricity Supply Board of the Irish Free State outlines its plans for the distribution of the Shannon current in the cities, towns and villages of the country when it becomes available next year.—(Page 7.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

Statements by Mr. Thomas Marlowe and Mr. Ramsay Macdonald on the publication of the Zinoviev letter were published yesterday.—(Page 7.)

ABROAD

The Egyptian Cabinet has rejected the proposals for a new Anglo-Egyptian Treaty, and the Prime Minister (Sarwat Pasha) has resigned.—(Page 7.)

In the Italian Chamber on Saturday last Signor Mussolini denied the alleged grievances of Austrians in the Tyrol, and said that this was the last time he would speak with words on the subject.—(Page 7.)

SPORTING

At Park avenue, Sandymount, on Saturday, Wales defeated Ireland by 3 goals to 2 in the annual international hockey match.—(Page 13.)

At Brooklands C.C., Manchester, the English Ladies' XI. defeated the Irish XI. at hockey by 11 goals to nil.—(Page 13.)

At Kempton Park on Saturday Easter Hero won the Coventry Handicap Steeplechase.—(Page 12.)

FINANCIAL

Credit was plentiful in Lombard street on Saturday, but there was no plethora of funds. Loans over the week-end were made at 3½ down to 3 per cent. Sterling on New York improved.—(Page 10.)

The Genius of Mussolini.

The text of the Italian Government's draft bill on parliamentary reform has been revealed to members of the Chamber of Deputies; and Signor Mussolini explains it in a report which is, in effect, a full confession of his political faith. Henceforward Parliament must be the servant, not the master, of the Government; for Fascism's prime achievement, in its creator's eyes, is that it has replaced the people's sovereignty by the sovereignty of the State. The old system left the choice of deputies to "the arbitral will of the masses"; the new system recognises frankly that "the masses are by themselves unable to choose their own representatives." When the new bill becomes law the State, represented by the Government, will nominate the members of both Chambers. As Signor Mussolini puts it, "their selection must be regulated in a manner that enables Parliament properly to execute its task, which consists in collaborating with the Government in the drafting of laws." He insists that there is a wide distinction between his present "*régime* of authority" and absolutism or oligarchy. Fascism is not an oligarchy because its method is that the ruling persons shall be drawn continually from the people. The Fascist Government is based on the support of the masses, but the will and needs of those masses are interpreted by the Government's ampler knowledge and higher intelligence.

At this time Italy's foreign policy is, in more than one respect, a cause of concern to other Powers. The tension between Italy and Austria will not be relieved by the *Duce's* strong words in the Chamber last Saturday. Again, the value of France's new agreement with Spain on the future government of Tangier will depend largely on Italy's attitude. Signor Mussolini is the most fascinating of modern statesmen because, in a Europe where statecraft has become a game which is governed by familiar rules and compromises, he takes always his own course. We may soothe our fears with the hope that never, in the last resort, will he upset the balance of power or defy the sanctions of Geneva, but we can feel no certainty in the matter. The truth is that a ruling passion and a ruling principle combine to make Signor Mussolini a wholly incalculable factor in the world's affairs. His ruling passion is the aggrandisement of modern Italy; and it is a truly formidable passion because it is based not so much on greed of power as on piety to the traditions of ancient Rome. No political ideal to-day is more tremendous than the *Duce's* ideal of a revived Augustan Empire; and the instrument of revival is to be his ruling principle—the aristocracy of genius. "The masses," he declares, "are by themselves unable to choose their own representatives." What may we not expect from the man who not only has launched this devastating doctrine upon a democratic world, but has persuaded his own democracy to accept it?

Signor Mussolini's policies keep Europe anxious and agog, but we must await history's verdict upon them. No man can guess whether time will vindicate his experiment or will reject it as an unnatural, if brilliant, revolt against the truths of progress. In many ways, however—even if his political ideals are doomed to failure—he has established his claim to greatness. We are witnessing in Signor Mussolini's work for Italy an achievement that was not uncommon in ancient and mediæval times, but is unique to-day. Here is a man who once more, as in the days of the Greek despots and tyrants, combines with political autocracy love of beauty and a cultivated pride of race. Signor Mussolini not only has inspired all Italians with his own intense feeling for their former glories: he has given concrete rebirth to the splendours of ancient Rome. Within the few years of his dictatorship Roman grandeur has been made new by the revelations of the spade. Herculaneum is being unburied after a sleep of eighteen centuries; lakes are being searched for their treasure of jewelled galleys; the markets of Trajan stand restored to-day in the very centre of modern Rome. Moreover, the past is great for him only because of its living value. His genius has fused it with the present—with new impulses in art, in letters and in social reform. A few days ago the *Duce* dismissed D'Annunzio with a gesture—"Italy now has no use for such persons. We want a healthy poetry which does not kill the wish to live, but strengthens it. This new poetry will emerge within the next ten years." So the new Augustus beckons for a new Vergil.

The Shannon Scheme.

Six months ago the Electricity Supply Board of the Irish Free State was established, and its first report, published to-day, indicates the methods which it proposes to follow. Greater Dublin, Cork and Limerick are promised that they will be fully equipped by the time when the generation of electricity begins. Already plans for the supply of the Greater Dublin area have been completed. The electricity will be conveyed from the Shannon by high tension cables that will terminate in great "transformer" stations in the neighbourhood of Inchicore and Dean's Grange. From these *termini* it will be distributed by the Board to minor and pivotal "transformer" stations in the centre of the city and near Milltown and Killester. Cables carrying 10,000 volts will radiate from the minor stations to all parts of the region between Swords in the North and Kingstown in the South. In drawing up its proposals the Board, we suspect, must have been sorely conscious of Dublin's lack of a "town plan." Transforming plant and main electrical cables ought to be laid down with a view less to the present distribution of Greater Dublin's population than to its likely distribution ten years hence. More than one broad expanse now devoted to the grazing of cattle is likely to become within a few years the site of a populous new suburb. After it has supplied the three big urban centres of population in the Free State the Board will extend its local networks to the towns and villages lying in the zones of the principal high tension lines. To-day a beginning is made by the invitation of tenders for the equipment of eight Leinster towns situated on, or near, the main highway from Dublin to Limerick. In the rural towns the Board probably will find a less ready demand than in the cities, and wisely, no doubt, it has decided to carry out a large programme of education by means of showrooms and lectures. Its task here is nothing less than the making of a materially backward country familiar with the refinements of electrical civilisation. In city, town and village alike the demand for the Shannon electrical current might be expected to be limited narrowly by the number of citizens able to afford the equipment of their dwellings with electrical plant. The Board announces that, to meet this difficulty, it proposes to arrange for the "wiring" of consumers' premises on a long-term repayment basis. Reckoning the cost of installing electrical lighting plant in an ordinary dwelling-house at £15, we may assume that even a town of one thousand dwellings is likely to lock up a substantial amount of national credit. Already, apparently, the Board has found that the dearth of skilled workers may hamper the progress of the electrification of the Free State. A census of available skilled or semi-skilled labour is being taken. Many a youth who has fled to the emigrant ship might find his services in demand if his parents had possessed faith enough in their country's future to induce him to study the elements of electrical science.

Science and the Mona Lisa.

Everyone remembers the theft of the Mona Lisa from the Louvre a few years before the Great War, and the queer rumours which that mysterious affair excited. Even now, it seems, suspicion touching the *bona fides* of the present Mona Lisa is not dead. Men whisper that the face smiling in the frame is not the same face "which rose thus strangely beside the waters." The original picture never was recovered, they say, and a cunning imitation was hung on the walls in order to conceal the success of that audacious theft. Rumour soon will be silenced. The Paris Correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* reports that chemical science has been invoked, and, besides the Mona Lisa, many of the most famous pictures of the Louvre are being submitted to the "X-rays." It is true that the chemical tests cannot answer every question that ingenuity can propound, but they can prove whether or not a picture's pigments are those which were in use in a given age. They can reveal the work of the restorer and can date fairly accurately the coats of paint applied to an antique canvas. It follows that they can distinguish the real Mona Lisa from a modern copy, no matter how cleverly executed. It is said that the Mona Lisa has passed its tests successfully. On the other hand, it is thought that other pictures examined may come less happily through the ordeal. No public announcement of results will be made; but, if a picture long displayed in the past as the work of a master silently disappears from the walls, the obvious conclusion will be drawn. Science can discern that which is invisible to the critic's eye, but shall it thus confound his judgment? If a picture has been admired as a Raphael, and now is proved to have been painted two hundred years after the master's death, from some now lost original, are the merits which art-lovers saw in it so long to be cancelled instantly? The "X-rays" may decide a painter's period, but how shall they pronounce upon his merits? Artistic taste, perhaps, is a safer canon, for all its fallibility, than the cold accuracy of science.

Flower Farmers.

The Scilly Isles lie within the constituency of St. Ives, Cornwall, where a by-election is being fought. Canvassers whose part it may be to visit the islanders will combine pleasure with political business; for this is the season when the isles are especially attractive. Spring comes early to that outcrop of the sunken or legendary Lyonesse, and the islands are bright with early flowers. A hundred years ago the people of the Scilly Isles were as poor as the folk of the Blaskets. In 1831 the islands passed to a new owner, and a writer in the *Manchester Guardian* tells how he "suggested to the islanders that they might relieve their poverty by turning the amenities of their climate to the growing of early flowers for the London market." The first flowers marketed were sent to London in an old hat-box, but they were the first-fruits of many a mighty harvest. Nowadays spring flowers are shipped from St. Mary's by the hundred ton a week, and the flower-farmers of the Scilly Isles are prosperous people. Like all other branches of Adam's trade, the cultivation of the soil for crops of flowers now is a highly technical business. Methods have been devised, not merely for the production of early blossoms, but for their forwarding to market carefully graded and in such condition that they open into full bloom after, not before, their arrival. Daffodils as yet are flowering but timidly, and that only on the most favourable sites, in Ireland; but luxuriant masses of these splendid yellow blooms are entrained daily from Cornwall for the brightening of English cities. Would the Irish market repay the more intensive cultivation of flowers? To judge by the exorbitant prices charged in the streets of Dublin for slender bunches of blooms, far from fresh, many citizens desire cut flowers, and envy the Londoner, who can decorate a room lavishly with living beauty for a few pence.

ADRIAN STOKES MEMORIAL.

ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION'S £2,000.

The Rockefeller Foundation, it is announced, has contributed £2,000 to the Adrian Stokes Memorial Fund at Guy's Hospital Medical School, London.

Professor Adrian Stokes, who was Professor of Pathology at Guy's, was invited by the Rockefeller Foundation to assist them in the investigations on the Gold Coast into yellow fever. Last September, after he had been on the Gold Coast four months, Professor Stokes himself contracted and succumbed to the disease. It was decided to establish a memorial, and Guy's Medical School opened a fund, which had reached a sum of just short of £1,000 before the receipt of the Rockefeller Foundation gift. The memorial will take the form of a Fellowship in Pathology for the encouragement of research. It is anticipated that the first holder will be appointed next October.

The Rockefeller Foundation has also given £2,000 to a research fund at Trinity College, Dublin.

DANGEROUS DRUGS.

THEFTS FROM DOCTORS' CARS.

Two recent thefts of drugs from doctors' motor cars in the Liverpool district have been followed by a third, and the series of robberies is causing much concern. In the latest instance a Bootle practitioner, who had been called out late to a patient, left a case containing chloroform, morphia and strychnine in his car, and did not discover his loss until he arrived home. The thieves have not been traced.

SHIPBUILDER'S WILL.

WINDFALL FOR NORTHERN EXCHEQUER.

Probate has been granted of the will of the late Mr. Frank Workman, joint founder with Sir George Clark of the shipbuilding firm of Workman, Clark and Company, Belfast. The estate is valued for probate purposes at £749,183, of which approximately £400,000 is in Northern Ireland and £350,000 in Great Britain. In death duties the estate has paid £143,224 to the Exchequer of Northern Ireland and £77,228 to the Imperial Exchequer. There are no public bequests in the will.

The testator left his residence and household and personal effects, horses, carriages and motor cars to his wife absolutely, and the residue of his property as to two-thirds to his wife and one-third upon trust for his daughter for life, with remainder to her issue as she may appoint; or, failing such issue, then equally to the children of his brothers and sisters and of his wife's sisters then living.

DEMAND FOR PLEBISCITE

FUTURE OF ST. COLMCILLE'S HOSPITAL.

At a public meeting in Dean's Grange yesterday, presided over by Mr. P. Mulvaney, a member of the Dublin County Council, a resolution proposed by Mr. W. Maher, Chairman of the Killiney Urban District Council, and seconded by Dr. J. E. Conway, Chairman of the Dalkey Urban District Council, was passed, protesting against the proposal of the Rathdown Guardians to hand over St. Colmcille's Hospital to the Dublin Union Commissioners for conversion into a consumptive sanatorium, and calling upon the Minister for Public Health to withhold his sanction to the proposal until a plebiscite of the area was taken.

The resolution was supported by Messrs. E. C. Smyth and G. Dixon (Kingstown Urban District Council), J. T. Wallace (Bray Urban District Council), C. Harmon (Killiney Urban District Council), and J. Metcalfe (County Council).

The St. Kevin's Brass Band, Bray, attended.

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Law Courts—The Castle, 11 a.m.
Circuit Courts—The Castle, 11 a.m.
Central Criminal Court—Green street, 11 a.m.
R.D.S. Music Recitals, 3 and 8.15 p.m.
Lafayette, Ltd., 36 College Green, 12 noon.
Royal National Lifeboat Institution, 110 Grafton street, 4 p.m.
Gaiety Theatre—"The Private Secretary."
Theatre Royal—"Brighter Blackpool."
Abbey Theatre—Irish Plays.
Olympia Theatre—"Steady Trade."
Capitol—"The Ace of Cads," "Wedding Bells" and Varieties.
The Carlton Cinema—"Syncopating Sue."
Sackville, Picture House—"Bardlys the Magnificent."
Metropole Cinema—"The Dove."
Grafton Cinema—"On Your Toes."
Grand Central Cinema—"The Heart of Maryland."
Rotunda Picture—"Ben Hur."
The Pavilion, Dun Laoghaire—"The Ghost Train."

ORGAN AND VOCAL RECITAL.

An organ and vocal recital was given in Greystones Parish Church last Friday night. The programme was an interesting and varied one. The opening chorus by the choir was "Mine e es had seen Thy glory," arranged by Walford Davies. The organ pieces were beautifully rendered, and included the Prelude and Fugu. in C Minor, by Bach.

The soloists wer Misses Muriel Thompson and Muriel Archer, Mrs. Hempenstall, Miss Gentleman and Mr. Russell Rafter. The choir was under the direction of Mr. W. Fleming Thompson, organist and choirmaster of the parish.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The Queen paid a surprise visit last week to Queen's College, Harley street, London, which was founded in 1848 and was the first college provided for women in England. Her Majesty spent over an hour in the various departments, and was especially interested in the work of the domestic science students. She accepted a bouquet from the youngest student in the hostel, and in commemoration of her visit has sent her portrait to the college. It has been hung beside that of Queen Victoria, who visited the college on the occasion of its jubilee in 1898.

Prince Henry has made a complete recovery from his recent accident, and was out hunting with the Quorn Hounds at the end of last week.

Prince and Princess Arthur of Connaught have promised to attend the "Fairy Tale Matinée" at the Comedy Theatre on Monday, March 26th, which the Duchess of Rutland and an influential committee are organising in support of the "Save the Children Fund" and the open-air school for delicate children at Broadstairs.

After a short stay at the Hotel Meurice, Paris, the King of the Belgians has returned to the Palais Royal, Brussels. Prince Gustavus Adolfus of Sweden, who spent a few days with the Swedish Minister and Baroness Palmstierna in London, left last Saturday for Paris.

The Marchioness of Londonderry, who is now convalescent, has left London, with her daughter, Lady Margaret Stewart, on the ss. Ranchi for Gibraltar, *en route* for Malaga, where they will spend some weeks. Lord and Lady Leigh are passengers on the same steamer to Gibraltar, and later will go for a tour through Morocco.

Lord and Lady Mostyn, Lady Gertrude Lawford, Major-General Sir Charles Melliss, V.C.; Sir William and Lady Burton, Sir William and Lady Hale-White, Sir Harry Hepburn, Sir Walter and Lady Berry, Sir Arnold and Lady Theiler and Major and Mrs. Crawley are among the departures from Tilbury, on the ss. Orama, for a cruise in the Mediterranean.

The Duchess of Hamilton, Lady Fairfax, Sir Richard and Lady Temple, Sir Andrew and Lady Wingate, Sir James and Lady Dodds, General A. T. Ogilvie, Colonel P. D. D'Esterre, Colonel Sydney Grant and Commander W. Fairbairn are among the arrivals at Montreux, where the spring season has opened earlier than usual. Admiral Sir Richard and Lady Poore are spending the spring at Vevey, and Lady Franklin is at her villa at La Tour de Peils. A number of visitors is expected at Bex, where a new golf course is being laid out.

The Earl of Ypres, Lieutenant-General Sir Robert Baden-Powell and Colonel G. S. Hutchinson are among the exhibitors in the New Burlington Galleries, where the third annual exhibition of the Army Officers' Art Society will be opened by Prince Arthur of Connaught next Thursday.

Colonel and Mrs. Richard Charteris left London last Saturday for Naples.

The engagement is announced between Richard Malcolm Bond, Fairy Hall, Rathowen, Westmeath, son of the late Edward Malcolm Bond and Mrs. Bond, 9 Queen's Gardens, Hendon, London, and Barbara Grace Maria Patricia, only daughter of the late Colonel J. R. Malone, Baronston, Ballynacarg, and Mrs. C. C. Malone, Shinglas, Ballymore, Westmeath.

In their Millinery Department Switzers are making a special show this week of a beautiful selection of Straw Hats featuring the broad brim, which is going to be much worn this season.

Ciro Pearls are displayed at the Ciro Salon, Switzers, in the form of graceful Necklets or set in Rings, Brooches, Pendants or Earrings. London prices.

New Spring Hats for Maid and Matron. Fascinating little Hats in Remaille Straw, Balebuntal, Bankok and Felt combinations and Pearl Visca. Lovely shades of Oak Leaf, Teak, Thistledown, Burnt Rose, Sandalwood, Irak, Suede and Mushroom. Marvellous value.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 South Great George's street.

Forrest and Sons are now showing Spring Fabrics, New Tweeds Suiting, plain and fancy, Wool Stockinette. Petal Crêpe, a beautiful artificial silk crêpe for lingerie, frocks, and children's wear, 40 leading shades in stock, at 2s. 11½d. yard.—Grafton street.

Forrests are receiving daily smart Sports Wear in Cardigans, Jumpers, Overshirts, Waistcoats, reasonable prices, for between season wear.—Grafton street, Dublin.

Chancellor's celebrated Watches. 7 Grafton st.

Royal Hibernian Hotel, Dublin, and Salthill Hotel, Monkstown, now quoting special winter terms. Meals interchangeable between both hotels. For particulars apply Manager.

Eileen Goold-Verschoyle, Handweaver, Dunkineely, Co. Donegal, is showing her Handwoven Vegetable Dyed Scarves, Skirt and Dress Lengths in Derry during Feis week (see City Cafe). Why not send for parcel on approval if unable to inspect personally?

Trousseau Undies at Slyne's.—Ivory crêpe-de-chine nightie, prettily hand-embroidered and insets of net, 42s. Pyjamas in ivory crêpe-de-chine, with long roll collar in contrasting shade, 55s. 11d. Petticoats in crêpe-de-chine, with coloured embroidery, 35s. 11d. Slyne and Co., Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

PASSENGERS IN ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Arrivals—Mrs. E. H. Hamilton, Lt.-Col. B. G. Weller, Mrs. B. G. Weller, Miss Isa Colhoun, Miss M. Stokes, Miss Ada Boyland, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Jacob, J. Skellington-Jones, Hilton Edwards.

Departures—Thomas P. Wall, Raymond Wall, Captain J. B. Robertson, Francis Evans, Frank Horan, H. V. Coulter, G. P. Kelso, the Rev. C. W. and Mrs. Griffin, Mrs. G. Bellew Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. G. Henderson, W. H. Meredith, D. Meredith, George A. Wild, Mrs. A. MacLachlan.

PASSENGERS BY B. AND I. LINE, VIA LIVERPOOL.

Arrivals—Lord Mcateagle, T. Berliner, R. Webster, A. Jones, Commander Murray, C. P. Woakes, A. O. Crawford, T. Heathley, J. Bruce, W. Lauder, Mr. D. E. Sweetman.

Departures — Mr. and Mrs. C. Lake, Charles Doran, C. B. O'Connor, H. Jones, F. J. Parker, A. Stott, R. Burns, T. Brice, J. Wood, E. William.

McBirney's White Sale, commencing today, is an event which should not be missed, as many opportunities to purchase new and fresh goods at Special Prices are offered. In addition to the White Sale, a special feature during the week will be a Furnishing display, when a number of special lines in Carpets, Linos, and Furniture will be shown at exceptional prices.—Aston's quay.

New Models and Materials for smart Spring Costumes, Coats, etc. Moderate prices.—Mumford, 18 Suffolk street, Dublin.

Advanced Spring Fashions now on show.—Marleen, The Sportswear Specialist, "114" Stephen's Green, W.

Spring Cleaning—Carpets Shaken and Cleaned in our own works. Millar and Beatty.

Coats, Three-piece Suits, Gowns and Millinery. Choice collection of Models now on view.—Davis and Co., 45/6 Grafton street.

WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference.—Changes in progress are slight, and the weather will continue mainly fine, with high day temperatures in most places.

Ireland, all Districts.—Light, variable breeze, mainly fair; local fog on coast and also inland in early morning; rather warm inland during the day.

South-West Seaboard, Mouth of Channel to South-West Ireland.—Wind east or south-east, light; fine; visibility moderate to good; sea slight.

*Irish Sea, St. George's Channel, North-West Seaboard, Northern Ireland to Hebrides.

SHANNON ELECTRICITY NEXT YEAR.

SUPPLY BOARD'S ELABORATE PREPARATIONS.

GREATER DUBLIN SCHEME

ATTITUDE TOWARDS EXISTING UNDERTAKINGS.

In an important report just issued, the Electricity Supply Board of the Irish Free State outlines its plans for the distribution of the Shannon current in the cities, towns and villages of the country when it becomes available next year.

An elaborate scheme of new transformer stations and cable network has been planned for Greater Dublin, and within a month it is hoped to tackle the problems of the supply for the other two big cities in the State—Cork and Limerick.

It is interesting to note that, at the request of the local authorities operating electricity undertakings in Dundalk, Wexford and Clonmel, the Board is negotiating with those authorities for the acquisition of their property. It will take an early opportunity of discussing the problem with the other local authorities operating similar undertakings.

The Board also is arranging interviews with the "unauthorised undertakers" in the country. It is the opinion of the Board that the interests of all—the consumer, the existing owners and the State—would best be served by the acquisition of these undertakings by the State.

The Board has mapped out a definite programme for the electrification of about 130 towns and villages where electricity is not available at present. These places are of minor consequence from the point of view of Shannon income, but it is desired to make the benefits as universal as possible.

Details of a big publicity scheme in connection with the undertaking also are given. Special long term repayment facilities are to be afforded for the wiring of homes and business premises.

WORKING ON A TIME PROGRAMME.

THREE MAIN PROBLEMS BEFORE THE BOARD.

The Shannon scheme, says the report, makes provision for the generation of electricity from the River Shannon and the transmission of the current on overhead wires to the outskirts of the cities, towns and villages of the Irish Free State.

The Electricity Supply Board, which was created last September, is charged with the duty of operating the Shannon system when it is completed and handed over by the contractors and the Department of Industry and Commerce in 1929. The Board is further charged with the all-important task of meanwhile making provision for the distribution of Shannon electricity in:

1—The large cities of the State: Dublin, Cork and Limerick.

2—The towns and villages where an electricity supply exists and where the networks must be reconstructed to permit of their connection with the Shannon system.

3—Towns and villages where no electricity exists.

During the six months in which the Board has been in existence it has devoted itself to these three main problems, and has progressed on a definite plan towards their solution.

In view of the fact that Shannon current will be available some time in 1929, the Board has been obliged to map out a time programme and to work against it. The all-important goal is that, when the Shannon works are ready, the maximum load should be connected to assure as wide a revenue as possible and to give to the maximum number of the citizens of the State the immediate benefit of the State's investment.

GREATER DUBLIN SCHEME.

THE MAIN ELECTRICITY HIGHWAYS.

The programme in regard to the three cities mentioned has been planned in the order of their importance, bearing in mind that the plans for all three areas—Greater Dublin, Cork and Limerick—must be such as will permit of their connection to the Shannon system immediately Shannon current becomes available.

The fact that the Greater Dublin problem is being studied before the Cork and Limerick problem does not mean that these other two cities are being neglected or that their electrical development is being retarded. The interests of all are being carefully watched, and the time programme has been arranged accordingly; but, as the Dublin problem covers a much larger area and entails a much longer period of design and construction, it must, therefore, be started on first.

It is hoped to tackle the problems of the Cork and Limerick supply within a month. Meanwhile the main solution for the Greater Dublin problem has been planned, and is as follows:—

NEW TRANSFORMER STATIONS.

The area which has become known as Greater Dublin must, from the viewpoint of electricity supply, be treated as one unit, and the transformer stations, cable, network, etc., must be designed accordingly.

Under the Shannon system Greater Dublin is to be supplied from the transformer station situated near Inchicore and from the transformer station near Dean's Grange. These stations are being constructed under the Shannon scheme by the Department for Industry and Commerce, and when the Shannon scheme is completed they will be handed over by that department to the Electricity Supply Board.

Somewhere close to the site of the present Electricity Station in Fleet street, the Electricity Supply Board propose to construct a large transformer station which will be the pivotal station for Greater Dublin; another transformer station will be situated somewhere near Milltown. The new transformer station at Fleet street will be connected by three 38,500 volt cables to the Shannon Station at Inchicore. The Fleet street transformer station will be connected to the Milltown Station by a similar 38,500 volt cable, which, in the earlier period, will be operated at 10,000 volts.

COASTAL AND INLAND CABLES.

From the Milltown Station two main cables will radiate to the Dean's Grange Station, one taking the coastal route and the other taking the inland route, and both taking in on their way to Dean's Grange all the centres of population in between. The coastal cable will run approximately from Milltown to Donnybrook, through Merrion to Booterstown and Blackrock, and on through Monkstown to Dean's Grange. The inland cable will run to Milltown village to Dundrum and through Stillorgan to Foxrock and Dean's Grange.

From Dean's Grange a further 10,000 volt cable will radiate to Kingstown, another to Dalkey, and another through Cabinteely to Loughlinstown. Loughlinstown and Dalkey will be linked up by cable through Ballybrack and Killiney. Dun Laoghaire and Dalkey will likewise be linked up through Glasthule and Glenageary. From Milltown a further 10,000 volt cable will run to Terenure and from Terenure to Rathfarnham. Terenure will be linked up through Kimmage with Crumlin, and Crumlin with Dolphin's Barn.

ELECTRICAL BY-PATHS.

These 10,000 volt cables will form what might be called the main electrical roads for the populous areas of South Dublin. At intervals along them the transformer stations will be situated, and from these transformer stations low tension cables will radiate out through the streets or roads to the premises of the individual consumers.

This network will serve to bring electricity to the citizens of the coastal and inland boroughs mentioned. Pending the Shannon supply, it may be possible to give these areas a certain limited supply through the Dean's Grange Station over the transformer station at Inchicore from Fleet street.

NORTH COUNTY DUBLIN.

North County Dublin is likewise to be opened up. A transformer station is planned near Killester, and these stations will likewise be connected up to the Board's transformer station at Fleet street.

From Killester a cable will run out through Raheny and Sutton to Howth. From Sutton an overhead branch will run through Baldoyle to Portmarnock, Malahide and Swords. Near Swords a Shannon transformer station is planned.

Just as in the case of the south city network, these cables will form the main electrical roads for the northern areas mentioned. Transformer stations will be connected to the cables, and from the transformer stations low tension networks will radiate out through the roads and streets to the premises of the various consumers.

DUBLIN CITY NETWORK.

All these plans in no way affect the existing City of Dublin network, which will continue as before to feed the city. Arrangements will be made with the City Commissioners and the City Electrical Engineer to connect up their station at Fleet street with the Board's transformer station near Fleet street, and later, when Shannon current is available, this connection will serve to feed the Shannon current into the city network.

Similarly the Rathmines and Pembroke stations will be connected up to the Shannon supply through the existing cable network from Fleet street and through other cables from the new transformer station at Milltown.

The details of the connecting of Dublin City, Rathmines and Pembroke will be carried out in co-operation with the local engineers and authorities concerned.

THE NEXT STEP.

The plans for Greater Dublin being complete, the transformer stations have to be designed, specifications, etc., have to be worked out, and the whole has to go to open tender. The Board's engineers are now engaged on this work, and it is hoped to put all these plans to tender within two months.

Before the summer is out it is planned that construction on the main electrical roads for Greater Dublin will have begun.

The design of the low tension network through the streets and to the premises of the individual consumers remains to be planned out. This also will be put in hands immediately.

The Board thus hopes in time to cover Greater Dublin with a complete electrical network and to bring Shannon electricity within the reach of every citizen, as far as it is possible, and to give to the maximum number the benefit of the State's investment.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES' UNDERTAKINGS.

VOLUNTARY NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE BOARD.

The problem of the Board to make provision for the connecting of towns and villages where an electricity supply at present exists to the Shannon supply is complicated by the fact that each of these towns or villages is at present the area of operation of an established interest—the local electricity supply company. Before the Board can in any way make definite plans for the connecting up of these towns and villages it must naturally get in touch with the existing interests and discuss the problem of how they are to fit into the new scheme.

Most of these interests are what are termed "unauthorised undertakers." They were the subject of much discussion in the Dail debates on the Electricity (Supply)

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THE PRINCE OF WALES.

NO IRISH VISIT THIS YEAR.

GIFT TO ROYAL ULSTER YACHT CLUB.

"It is definitely settled that the Prince of Wales is not coming to Ireland this year," said Colonel the Right Hon. R. G. Sharman Crawford, D.L., Vice-Commodore of the Royal Ulster Yacht Club, at the annual meeting of the members on Saturday at Bangor.

He hoped, however, that they would be in a position to entertain the Prince in the clubhouse if he came to Ulster next year.

The Vice-Commodore also announced that the Prince, who is Commodore of the Club, had expressed his pleasure and desire to give a cup to the Club for competition.

Colonel Sharman Crawford further informed the meeting that the King's cutter Britannia is coming to Belfast Lough for the Club's regatta on 13th and 14th July next.

The big American schooner Westward is also expected, together with the other large yachts.

POSITION IN COUNTY WEXFORD.

NO NEW TRACE OF FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE.

Reassuring reports continue to be received by the Department of Agriculture in Dublin from all parts of County Wexford. The investigating staff examined on Saturday and Sunday 3,102 animals. On these two days the licensing staff examined at one centre 2,535 animals, at a second 668, at a third 157 and at the fourth 787.

All these 7,249 animals were found to be free from disease.

THE TRANSFERRED OFFICERS.

GENERAL STATEMENT TO BE ISSUED.

The Secretary of the Transferred Officers' Protection Association issued the following statement last night:—

The Transferred Officers' Protection Association, who were instrumental in bringing the Wigg-Cochrane case to a successful issue, have been considering the question raised by the Government during the last fortnight. They have consulted counsel, and, after having met him at various consultations, have now received his written reply as regards the whole matter.

They propose to have this opinion submitted to each of the organisations which they represent for their consideration. As soon as this has been done and replies have been received they will issue a general statement.

Meantime they think that no statement should be made by any of the transferred officers. Any such officer who is a member of an association connected with the Transferred Officers' Protection Association should communicate with his association, and any person not a member of such an association should communicate direct with the Transferred Officers' Protection Association, 19 Upper Merrion street, and put forward any views or suggestions that he may have.

Everybody knows that in a case of this kind isolated action is useless, and the only way that the position of transferred officers can be protected is through the Transferred Officers' Protection Association, which represents all the Civil Servants' Associations, and which by such representative action succeeded so well in establishing their rights.

FRANCS CASE.

MR. GREGORY'S SUCCESSOR

The following announcement was made by the Foreign Office last night:—The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has appointed Mr. R. G. Vansittart, C.B., C.M.G., Assistant Under Secretary of State. He will remain seconded for service as Principal Private Secretary to the Prime Minister. Mr. L. Oliphant, C.M.G., has been appointed Acting Assistant Under Secretary of State in his place.

Mr. Vansittart succeeds Mr. J. D. Gregory, who was dismissed as a result of the francs case inquiry. Mr. Vansittart was appointed the Prime Minister's Principal Private Secretary a few weeks ago, on the resignation of Sir Ronald Waterhouse.

IRISH CREAM EXPORTS.

REQUEST FOR BETTER TRAIN ARRANGEMENTS.

Last Friday a conference took place at Listowel between representatives of the Great Western Railway, England, and the Great Southern Railways, Ireland, and the Kerry and West Limerick Branch of the Irish Creamery Managers' Association, for the purpose of ensuring better train arrangements for the delivery of cream to England within twenty-four hours at latest after being railed. The creamery representatives also requested the railway companies to provide a train with suitable wagons attached.

The companies' representatives promised better facilities in future, as the matter was of importance both to the creameries and the railway companies.

FATAL FOOTBALL ACCIDENT.

A WELL-KNOWN DUBLIN PLAYER.

Yesterday evening Mr. B. F. Hanrahan, a member of Lansdowne Rugby Football team, died at the Royal City of Dublin Hospital from injuries that he received while playing against Trinity in the first round of the Leinster Senior Cup at the Lansdowne road ground on Saturday afternoon last.

The play had been in progress for about fifteen minutes when the accident occurred during a scrimmage. Mr. Hanrahan was stunned, and the play was stopped while he was being removed to the touch-line.

He was conveyed to the Royal City of Dublin Hospital, where it was found that he had been injured in the neck. He was conscious, but his arms, legs and body were paralysed. He become unconscious yesterday, and died at about four o'clock in the evening. An inquest will be held to-day.

His brother, Mr. C. F. Hanrahan, who is a member of the Irish Rugby team, and played in the last international match, was playing in the Munster Cup match at Limerick on Saturday. He learnt of the accident on his return to Cork, and was motored to Dublin by a friend.

The late Mr. Hanrahan was a well-known footballer, and played for the Lansdowne club for the last two years.

Instances of fatal injuries at Rugby football have been remarkably few, considering the large numbers who now play the game. The only other instance that can be remembered of such an occurrence in Ireland was the death of Mr. C. V. McIvor, the Dublin University wing three-quarter, who played for Ireland in 1912-13. His death was the result of a kick received in one of the opening practice games of the season.

NEW ZEALAND WOOL SALES.

WELLINGTON, Sunday.

At the Invercargill wool sale late prices were fully maintained.

MUSSOLINI AND AUSTRIA.

"THE LAST TIME" OF SPEAKING.

COMPLAINTS NOT JUSTIFIED.

"WE WANT TO BE FRIENDS."

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

ROME, Saturday.

In the Italian Chamber to-day Signor Mussolini made his promised statement in regard to the position of the German minorities in the Upper Adige (Italian Tyrol). The statement was made in reply to interpellations by a number of deputies.

Signor Mussolini said:—My reply to the honourable comrades who ask the question arrives a little late, for the following reasons: Before all, I wanted to read in the shorthand text the speeches delivered in the Austrian National Council; secondly, by an interview with our Minister in Vienna I wanted supplementary information regarding the atmosphere preceding the effects of the speeches themselves. Thirdly, I wanted a sufficient interval of time to take away the excessively dramatic atmosphere from the incident. Hannibal is not at the gates; nor is Monsignor Seipel.

Italy is to-day a great State, politically united, ethnically homogeneous, morally compact, socially ordered as no other State in Europe. Italy is to-day a great people of over fifty millions, almost forty-two of whom live in the peninsula. These people, who have been imbued with Fascism, have strong nerves, short speech, and know how to make good. Austria is what it is. I have even asked whether it was worth while answering, and, certainly if the Chancellor—that is to say, the head of the Austrian Government, an eminent man from several points of view—had not intervened, I should have let the matter pass, and should have taken no notice of the anti-Italian, anti-Fascist verbal excitement of the Austrian National Council.

"THE LAST TIME."

I shall, accordingly, speak with the greatest calm, without equivocation. I add at once that this is the last time I shall speak on this subject. The next time I shall make acts speak. It is a chapter of history that I am writing, not for Italians, who know this history, but for the world that does not know or has forgotten it.

I intend to show that this Austrian complaint is not justified and, by that very fact, provocative. It is in no way justified by the general policy of Italy towards Austria throughout the last ten years. Nor is it justified by the policy followed by the Fascist Government in the province of Bolzano, which, being one of the ninety-two provinces of the kingdom, is treated just like all the others, with the same rights and the same duties.

If I recall to-day the many proofs of friendship which Italy has shown to Austria since the armistice, I do not do so from a desire to fling her ingratitude in her teeth. We Italians are great enough to understand the virtue of discretion. Our friendly policy towards Austria has been shown in three ways in ten years. Firstly, in works of mercy to her stricken people after the war, and, secondly, by financial aid, made possible, by the renunciation of reparations claims by Italy. Thirdly, Italy gave great and disinterested aid in a political dispute when one of the frontiers of Austria was threatened.

Austrian speakers affirm that promises and assurances exist on the part of Governments that preceded the Fascist Government. I do not exclude it. But it may also be that those who made them repented, in view of the impertinent interpretation of certain promises. In any case, the Fascist Government, even if it showed that it respected and scrupulously carried out treaties, does not absolutely think itself bound by more or less vague and verbal assurances of men representing systems and Governments inexorably overwhelmed by the Fascist revolution.

Understanding that it is not possible to enter upon the ground of diplomacy—and Mgr. Seipel himself has refused to do it—an attempt is being made to transfer the question to the sphere of politics or sentiment, and there is talk of systems of tyranny, of brothers being tortured, and of persons murdered by the barbarous Fascist dictatorship. All that, in addition to being false, is superlatively ridiculous. We are not the pupils of Austria, which throughout a century peopled the countries of half Europe with executioners, filled the prisons with martyrs, and set up gallows without interruption. Fascist atrocities are the invention of evil imaginations.

Now, so far as lies within our power, we want to be friends with the Germanic world, whose qualities we appreciate, likewise the help they have given to human civilisation, but on condition that our security—that is to say, the security of forty-two million Italians—shall never be brought, even vaguely, into question.

AUSTRIAN ATTITUDE.

NO EXPRESSION OF SURPRISE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

VIENNA, Sunday.

Austria is not surprised at the speech of Signor Mussolini threatening to respond to the German protest regarding the maltreatment of the Germans in South Tyrol by making life there even more impossible for the families who, according to the official record, have been in the territory more than a thousand years. It is realised here in official circles that Mussolini has before stated: "We do not speak; we act." Although Mussolini threatens to suppress the Tyrol newspapers, there will not be much regret at this, because some of these newspapers are written and edited by extreme Fascists, and continually carry on a campaign against the German people, although they are supposed to be German newspapers.

Chancellor Seipel is not replying to Signor Mussolini's speech until he has received an official transcript of the Notes from Rome, but there are indications that Austria's attitude will be supported by the Vatican. Germans in the South Tyrol have petitioned the Vatican to send a mutual vicar, speaking German, as it is the only language that the people know.

Austria assumed the standpoint that the whole question is not Italian, but international, as Italy, in the Peace Treaty, as well as through her representative statesmen, and the Speech from the Throne, guaranteed the Germans in the South Tyrol not only local autonomy, but freedom of language, religion and culture.

Signor Mussolini's speech regarding the generosity of Italy towards Austria is not receiving any great response from the hearts of the Austrians. Although it is admitted that Italy's policy can be regarded as pro-Austrian, it is believed here that this has not been dictated out of goodness of heart, but as a policy against the pro-French Little *Entente*. The persecutions of Austrians in the South Tyrol make the pro-Austrian policy negligible. Austria points out that even under the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy Italians had the right of language in religion and schooling.

ANGLO-EGYPTIAN RELATIONS.

TREATY PROPOSALS REJECTED.

SARWAT PASHA RESIGNS.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENTS.

CAIRO, Sunday, 7 p.m.

Sarwat Pasha, the Prime Minister, has tendered his resignation to King Fuad. The official explanation of this step is that it was taken for "reasons of health."

It is understood that Sarwat Pasha, before resigning, informed Lord Lloyd, the British High Commissioner, that the Egyptian Government had rejected the proposals for a new treaty.

The Egyptian Ministers met last night without Sarwat Pasha, the Prime Minister, and agreed upon a written reply to the Residency.

It is understood that the reply of the Egyptian Cabinet to the High Commissioner, Lord Lloyd, with regard to the proposals for the projected Anglo-Egyptian Treaty, is that they are unacceptable, as they are incompatible with the independence of Egypt. The proposals, it is argued, imply the right of Great Britain to occupy Egypt, and this the Cabinet is unable to admit.

ARABIC NEWSPAPER COMMENT.

NATIONALISTS AND BRITISH OCCUPATION.

The newspaper, *Al Ahram*, states that the Egyptian Government's rejection not only involves the British Treaty proposals, but the project which Sarwat Pasha, the Prime Minister himself, submitted to Great Britain, in which he agreed to a further ten years' occupation by the British Army, after which, if there was no agreement, the question should be referred to the League of Nations. *Al Ahram* adds that the Wafd (Nationalist Party) has declared that this recognition of the principle of British occupation is incompatible with Egypt's independence, and that no Egyptian can recognise the British right to occupy Egypt.

Sarwat Pasha has contended that such recognition is not involved, but that a subsequent submission of the matter to Geneva would bring the Egyptian question from a purely British to an international sphere, with a greater promise for Egypt.

The newspaper sums up the situation by saying that everybody's nerves are on edge, but that all are trying to maintain the present Ministry, since a resignation brought about by the rejection of the proposed treaty would be undesirable.

The recent London conversation, *Al Ahram* adds, should be eliminated from the mind, and should never appear in the history of Anglo-Egyptian political conversations. As regards the alleged threats from a portion of the British Press, the newspaper says—the answer is, "Better to be wetted than drowned."

POSITION IN LONDON.

LORD LLOYD IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH WHITEHALL.

FROM THE PRESS ASSOCIATION'S DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Sunday.

Though Reuter's Cairo Correspondent gives ill-health as the official explanation of the grounds of the Egyptian Premier's resignation, in well-informed quarters in London to-night it was not doubted that Sarwat Pasha's action had been taken in consequence of his inability to persuade his colleagues to accept the draft treaty with Great Britain.

The domestic crisis, which, as stated some days ago, was expected to follow the rejection of the treaty, has come about, and developments in Egypt are being closely followed by the British Government. Lord Lloyd, the British High Commissioner, is keeping in close touch with the Foreign Office and Whitehall, and Mr. G. Locker-Lampson, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, who is in charge of the Foreign Office in the absence of Sir Austen Chamberlain, was informed to-day.

SARWAT'S PART.

Sarwat Pasha, who was in London last summer with King Fuad, personally conducted most of the negotiations between Britain and Egypt, which led to the preparation of the draft treaty, which his Cabinet has rejected. In London he had many conversations with Sir Austen Chamberlain, and these were followed by conferences with Lord Lloyd in Cairo. Negotiations centred around certain points left out of the uni-lateral agreement drawn up between Egypt and Britain a few years ago. They include the Sudan question, the defence of Egypt, and her relations with other Powers, and the maintenance of imperial communications through Egypt.

BRITISH POLICY.

The policy of the British Government has been to attempt, as far as possible, to meet Egyptian legitimate national aspirations, while maintaining necessary safeguards and security.

It was only recently that a point was reached at which Sarwat Pasha reported to his colleagues the terms of the proposals for settlement drawn up between himself and Lord Lloyd. These the Egyptian Government were unable to accept.

Sarwat Pasha succeeded Zaghlul, the Egyptian Nationalist leader, as Prime Minister.

There was reluctance in London diplomatic circles to-night to speculate on his successor, but according to a trustworthy source the position now is very much the same as it was before the negotiations started last summer.

A MISFORTUNE.

SIR A. CHAMBERLAIN'S VIEW.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Saturday.

A special correspondent with Sir Austen Chamberlain had an interview with him during the journey to Paris. Questioned about the negotiations with Egypt, Sir Austen said:—It is now sufficiently clear that the Treaty which I negotiated with Sarwat Pasha will not be accepted by the Egyptian Government. It is a misfortune. Once again the extremist influences of that country have prevailed, but I regret the failure of this honest and generous attempt to reconcile the principles of Egypt and her aspirations with the vital needs of the British Empire. The misfortune is for Egypt, rather than for Great Britain.

In reply to a further question, Sir Austen said:—Our relations will continue to be regulated by the declaration of 1922.

THE COBHAM FLIGHT.

BEIRA REACHED.

BEIRA, Sunday.

Sir Alan Cobham, who is making a 20,000 mile aerial survey of Africa, left Johnson at 9 o'clock this morning and flew straight over to Beira, where he arrived at 2.30.

This afternoon, after a short circle round the harbour, he made a splendid landing and taxied his machine up to the mooring buoy off the bathing beach.

LATE NEWS.

THE REJECTED TREATY.

JUVENILE IDEALISM IN EGYPT.

In a leading article upon the rejection by the Egyptian Government of the British proposals for an Anglo-Egyptian treaty, *The Times* observes:—Whether the refusal of the Wafd to accept the terms of the proposed treaty was due to the fear that the extremists in their midst and uneducated masses would reproach their Parliamentary chiefs for approving concessions which Zaghlul Pasha declined to make or to mere obstinacy does not much matter. They have simply failed to rise to the occasion. Until the draft treaty and other correspondence bearing on the negotiations are laid before Parliament discussion of the proposals to which the negotiators had agreed can only be speculative. But it is certain that the reason for the rejection of the draft treaty given by the Egyptian Government was the proposed maintenance of a British garrison in Egypt, which the critics of the treaty maintained would legalise the British occupation. Here the Wafdist leaders have followed exactly the same line that Saad Zaghlul Pasha followed in his unsuccessful conversations with Mr. Macdonald. But, whatever the motives that have impelled the extremists in the Wafd Party to reject the draft treaty, their action is, in Sir Austen Chamberlain's words, a misfortune rather for Egypt than for Great Britain. In this country it will not be taken too tragically. British relations with Egypt will continue to be regulated by the declaration of 1922, and the events of the past two years have shown that, given a reasonable amount of good temper and good sense on both sides, this provisional settlement can be maintained without reacting unfavourably upon the friendship between the two countries.

The Egyptian extremists may keep moderate men in Egypt and in the British Empire apart for a while, but by so doing they will only weary their own more constructive allies, and will deter statesmen of experience and character from supplying them with the advice and assistance which they obviously need. In the end the realists will come into their own, and when their day comes it is more than probable that they will find a basis of understanding in the very honest and generous proposals which have been rejected by a juvenile idealism.

NEJD TRIBESMEN MASSING.

BIG ATTACK FEARED.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BASRA, Sunday.

News of a menacing nature continues to be received from Nejd. Koweiti subjects reaching Koweit from the interior report unusual activity among the tribes who are evidently on the war-path and preparing a big offensive. Koweit, which expects that it will be the main objective of the advance, is in a state of tension, but feels confident with the presence of the R.A.F. and British naval vessels.

It is stated that a battalion of troops is on the way to Koweit from India.

The attitude of Ibn Saud, the Wahabi King of the Hedjaz, continues to be a conundrum. Some reports state that he has sanctioned the tribal attacks owing to anger at the recent devastation caused by the Royal Air Force in Nejd, but other messages say that he is unable to withhold the tribesmen.

[Note.—A Reuter message from Basra on Friday last stated that two squadrons of the Royal Air Force had been concentrated at Koweit, while the British cruiser Emerald and the sloops Cyclamen and Lupin were lying in the bay.]

THE ROSE RED CITY.

SIR ALFRED MOND'S VISIT PREVENTED.

JERUSALEM, Sunday.

Sir Alfred Mond, Lady Mond and their daughter, the Viscountess Erleigh, concluded their visit to Palestine yesterday, and left for Port Said *en route* for Marseilles.

They had proposed to visit the remains of Petra, the famous rose red city in the Jordan Valley, but the authorities would not allow it owing to the possibility of the presence of Wahabis in the direction of Waan.

REPORTED PLOT IN MEXICO.

CLERGYMAN ARRESTED.

FROM "THE TIMES" CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Sunday.

The police in Mexico City are reported to have discovered a plot for the assassination of President Calles and the former President Obregon, who is now the only surviving candidate for the Presidency in succession to President Calles. They arrested in a house in the centre of the city a priest named Leyva, and there, it is alleged, they found evidence that Leyva's associates were making bombs.

According to the report Leyva protested that the evidence against him had to do with activities long past, but it is asserted that propaganda sheets found in the house bore testimony to the contrary.

OXYGEN TANK EXPLODES

SHANNON WORKER KILLED: ANOTHER INJURED.

James Henry (30), married, died in the Limerick City Hospital yesterday from injuries received while working on the Shannon Power scheme last Saturday. With a fellow employé named Thomas Ryan he was engaged in removing an oxygen tank when it exploded. He sustained a fracture of the left leg, and injuries to the head, abdomen and arms. Ryan was also injured, but his condition is not serious.

The deceased man lived in Dublin, but was a native of Portumna, Ryan being from Cashel.

INCIDENT AT GLOZEL.

SPAHIS OFFICER CAPTURED BY PEASANTS.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Sunday.

It is reported that a lieutenant in the Spahis, after having visited the museum at Glozel yesterday evening, attempted to enter the field where the archæological discoveries have been made, in spite of M. Fradin's protestations. A violent discussion ensued, and M. Fradin, who was knocked down by the Lieutenant, received a blow on his hip.

The Lieutenant tried to make off, but was captured, after an exciting chase, by some peasants who had heard M. Fradin's cries for help.

THE STATE APARTMENTS AT WINDSOR.

The Lord Chamberlain announces that the State apartments of Windsor Castle will be closed to the public on and after Monday, 12th instant, until further notice.

THE ZINOVIEV LETTER.

HISTORY OF ITS PUBLICATION.

REVELATIONS BY AN EDITOR.

INQUIRY WANTED BY LABOUR.

IN the House of Commons this week Mr. Ramsay Macdonald will press the Government to hold an inquiry into the origin of the Zinoviev letter.

Yesterday *The Observer* published a letter from Mr. Thomas Marlowe, formerly editor of the *Daily Mail*, explaining how he came into possession of two copies of the Zinoviev letter before it was issued by the Foreign Office.

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald stated last night: "The meaning of Mr. Marlowe's letter is a confession that the letter was probably a fake, but that certainly its use was a fraud. Its publication make it all the more necessary that the Government should give us an inquiry into the whole subject."

Mr. Marlowe's letter is printed below by courtesy of Mr. J. L. Garvin, editor of *The Observer*.

MR. MARLOWE'S LETTER.

HOW HE OBTAINED COPIES OF DOCUMENT.

The following is the text of Mr. Marlowe's letter to the Editor of *The Observer*:—

Sir,—The Zinoviev letter was published in the London newspapers on the morning of Saturday, October 25, 1924. I first heard of it on Thursday, October 23, when I found on the writing table at my office the following telephone message, which had been received late on the preceding evening, Wednesday, October 22, from an old and trusted friend:—

> There is a document in London which you ought to have. It shows the relations between the Bolsheviks and British Labour leaders. The Prime Minister knows all about it, but is trying to avoid publication. It has been circulated to-day to Foreign Office, Home Office, Admiralty, and War Office.

The problem thus put to me was a comparatively simple one. The last sentence of the message was almost a solution of it. Telephonic soundings soon put me in touch with another friend, whom I invited to come and see me without delay. He called early in the afternoon, and although he knew of the document, and was disposed to be indignant at the Government's reluctance to allow publication, he did not think he could help me to get a copy of it. I insisted that I must have it, and at length he promised that, if he could obtain the approval of a third person, he would send me a copy through the post.

SEEKING ADVICE.

Half an hour after he had left me another friend called. He had the thing in his pocket, and what he wanted was my advice as to the best method of publication. I had no doubts on this subject, and gave him my opinion promptly. It was to the effect that he should hand his copy of the letter to me, whereupon I would give it the widest publicity and issue it to the other London newspapers. But it seemed that he also had a friend to consult, whose decision could not be made known till the following mid-day. I told him that I should probably receive a copy from another source before then, and that if it came during that evening I would certainly publish it next morning. I arranged in any case to meet him at mid-day, and early on the Friday afternoon I had the letter in my possession.

I returned with it to my office, and there on the table was another copy which had just come by post. I compared the two copies and found only such trifling differences as would arise from any lengthy document being transcribed by different hands. The only important difference was that in one copy the name of McManus, to whom the letter was written, appeared immediately under the name of Zinoviev, as if McManus were the co-signatory.

NOTE TO OTHER EDITORS.

I sent for the printer and ordered him to get the letter into type at once and pull a sufficient number of proofs to supply all the other newspapers. I then wrote a circular note to the various editors, informing them that, as they would, no doubt, wish to satisfy themselves as to the authenticity of the letter, they might do so by inquiry at the Foreign Office, Home Office, Admiralty, or War Office.

Having done this, I was ready to leave for the country when it occurred to me that it was most important that there should be a leading article in *The Times* next morning. The afternoon was getting on, and I was afraid that before the proofs were delivered *The Times* might have arranged for leading articles on other subjects. So I telephoned to the editor, and found myself speaking to Mr. Brumwell, the acting editor.

I told him what he might expect to receive within the next hour or so, and a few minutes later I was on my way to Sussex.

Of course I had not gone very far before the Foreign Office was informed of what was happening, and it seems that Sir Eyre Crowe promptly decided that it would be better for everyone concerned that the Foreign Office should publish the document officially, with the draft of the Prime Minister's reply to Mr. Rakovsky, the Soviet Minister, rather than permit the disclosure to be made by the newspapers. My own view has always been that this was the right decision, and that it was loyally made in the best interest of the Prime Minister himself, and that if Mr. Macdonald had taken the public frankly into his confidence it would have done him little, if any, harm.

MR. GREGORY'S POSITION.

This, however, was not the opinion of Mr. Macdonald. He believed that Mr.

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Gregory had treacherously sprung a mine under his feet, but we now know that the unfortunate Gregory had no responsibility for the publication and was merely the official whose name was attached to the letter to Rakovsky in accordance with custom[" in the absence of the Secretary of State."

However, in publishing the documents the Foreign Office acted with so much energy that the official papers reached one or two of the newspaper offices a few minutes before my proofs were delivered to them. Nevertheless, it was obvious that the official publication had been forced by my action. If it had not been for this the letter would not have been published until after Mr. Rakovsky had received the Prime Minister's communication, and possibly not until after the Russian Minister had had time to reply to the Prime Minister. This would have taken a few days, perhaps a week, and by that time the general election would have been over. Mr. Macdonald would have succeeded in delaying the publication until it could do his party no harm.

QUESTION OF AUTHENTICITY.

This was the purpose generally attributed by those who knew of the existence of the Zinoviev letter. That document was first brought to the notice of the Foreign Office on October 10. It came before Gregory on October 14, when he expressed the opinion, in writing, that it ought not to be published, as its authenticity would at once be denied. Sir Eyre Crowe, in forwarding it to the Secretary of State (Mr. Macdonald), took the opposite view. Mr. Macdonald, two days later, agreed with Sir Eyre Crowe as to the desirability of publishing, but said they must make certain that it was authentic, and ordered a letter of protest to the Soviet Minister to be drafted for his consideration.

I was told simply that he had sent the letter back to Crowe for further evidence of its authenticity, and that this was regarded by his officials as an indication that he desired to shelve it, as they were already satisfied that it was authentic, and they would not have wasted his time and their own by putting it before him if they had had any doubt on that point.

However, further inquiry as to the authenticity was made. The letter of protest was written by Mr. Gregory, his draft was altered by Sir Eyre Crowe, and the latter sent it, as re-drafted, on Tuesday, October 21, to Mr. Macdonald, who was then electioneering in the country, with the observation that it could be published as soon as it had been delivered to the Soviet Minister. Mr. Macdonald made " extensive alterations " in his own handwriting, but did not initial it, and returned it to Sir Eyre Crowe at the Foreign Office on Friday, October 24. It was on that day that I succeeded in obtaining two copies of the Zinoviev letter, and that afternoon I sent that letter to my brother editors. Sir Eyre Crowe at mid-day, in consultation with other officials, decided to dispatch the letter of protest to the Soviet Minister, and later in the same day he ordered the Zinoviev letter, with the letter of protest, to be issued to the Press.

NO PAYMENTS.

How, in these circumstances, could Mr. Macdonald believe that Mr. Gregory had played him false ? There can be no doubt that he did think so. He ordered an official or departmental inquiry to find out how the Zinoviev letter came to be published. He invited me to attend this inquiry, but I declined to do so, replying that I had nothing to add to what I had already published.

In addition he ordered a personal inquiry concerning Gregory, and I was told that he informed his inquiry agent that I had paid Gregory £5,000 for the document, and that Gregory had sold it for reasons which the Prime Minister stated in plain language, but which I will not particularise beyond saying this: that they had nothing to do with speculation in foreign currency or with political partisanship.

I know nothing about Mr. Gregory's circumstances. I have never seen him, to my knowledge, or had any communication with him, direct or indirect, and I did not pay him, or any other person, £5,000, or any other sum, for the Zinoviev letter. The men I dealt with were gentlemen to whom I could not offer money, and who would have been gravely affronted if I had done so. The Zinoviev letter did not cost me a single penny, and I may add that in forty years of journalism every bit of important news I ever had was obtained on the same terms.

EFFECT ON ELECTORS.

The documents were published in the newspapers on Saturday, October 25, and the General Election took place early in the following week. The effect of the publication was, I think, unequalled in all the history of general elections. No single event that I have ever heard of produced such direct and definite reaction in the public mind. And my own belief was, and continues to be, that, for the extent of the damage done to his own party and the corresponding gains which accrued to the Conservatives, Mr. Macdonald has no one to blame but himself. His followers, who knew nothing about it—Mr. Sidney Webb, Mr. Clynes and a number of other innocents—at once declared the letter a forgery.

I challenged Mr. Macdonald more than once during the next few days to express the same opinion, but to their surprise and consternation he could not do so. Knowing, as he did, that the letter was no forgery, he contented himself with hinting that it had been published with his own " unauthorised " protest attached to it!—as the result of some dirty trick at the Foreign Office. If he had known anything about the character of the British public he would have known that they would stand behind him to a man and a woman—if, speaking on his own platform, he had indignantly refused to tolerate such malignant intervention in our domestic affairs. But this would not have pleased the small section of Communists and other extremists who form the tail of his own party, and for the sake of conciliating them he lost the confidence of great masses of the electors.

AN UNFOUNDED SUSPICION.

Mr. Macdonald, far from blaming himself, continued unjustly to suspect Mr. Gregory. More than three years later, finding the latter involved in another affair, he comes forward in an attempt to prove that his suspicions in relation to the Zinoviev letter were well-founded. But the result of his intervention is that his suspicions are blown to the winds, a result quite agreeable to me, since if there had been any substance in them I must have been supposed to be involved.—Yours,

THOMAS MARLOWE.

A CONSPIRACY.

MR. MACDONALD'S VIEWS.

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald last night made the following statement to a Press Association reporter :—

On the face of it, the opening paragraphs of Mr. Marlowe's letter show perfectly conclusively that there was a conspiracy. To paraphrase, the run of the thing is: " A friend came to see me. He showed me a certain document. I asked to be allowed to use it, but he said, ' I cannot allow you to do that, because I have friends whom I must consult.'"

Apparently there were two groups independent of each other, and when, finally, Mr. Marlowe got the letter, with leave to use it, he found on his table on returning to the office that a second letter had also been sent in.

The second letter was not exactly the same as the first, and, therefore, there must have been two origins, or two separate sets of people copying the original letter, the existence of which has never been proved, because nobody has ever seen the original letter. But, however you work it out, the conspiracy, the possession of the letter by outside people, is established; and, also, a determination on their part to use the letter for political purposes connected with the election is quite clearly established.

" ABSOLUTELY UNTRUE."

There are certain statements made in Mr. Marlowe's letter regarding conversations with me, especially on the subject of Mr. Gregory, which are absolutely untrue. The important point is that it is now perfectly clear that it was the threat of publication by the *Daily Mail* which forced the hands of the Foreign Office officials in my absence, and without my knowledge, to send a letter to Rakovsky and to publish it. The *Daily Mail's* excuse is that it believed that I was suppressing the Zinoviev letter on account of

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THE CATHEDRAL OF BELFAST.

DUBLIN GIFT OF WAR MEMORIAL VOLUMES.

Preaching in Belfast Cathedral yesterday morning, the Dean reminded his congregation of the recent gift to the Cathedral by the Irish War Memorial Committee of the memorial volumes containing the names of close on 50,000 Irishmen who fell in the Great War, and said that he was now in the happy position of being able to state that his promise to his friends in Dublin, that the volumes would be welcomed and honoured in Belfast, had been handsomely fulfilled. Sir Charles Nicholson had designed for the volumes a very beautiful lectern in oak, surmounted by the bronze figure of a soldier with reversed arms, the whole standing over eight feet high, and this the 36th (Ulster) Division of the ex-Officers' (Old Comrades) Association was presenting to the Cathedral in memory of their fallen comrades. The lectern would stand near the west door, opposite the baptistery, and would be erected as soon as the work of laying the new floor permitted. It would be a very precious possession.

The Dean also announced the gift by Miss Rosamund Praeger of the sculptured figure of a child, done by herself, for the baptistery, and of linen for use at the Holy Communion by the Cathedral branch of the Girls' Friendly Society, in memory of Miss Ballard, and by Mrs. Edward Barton, of Portsalon, County Donegal.

THE PILLAR OF SCIENCE.

The Pillar of Science, which, together with the corbel of Bishop Berkeley, is to be dedicated on Sunday next, completes the series of capitals on the north side of the nave of the cathedral. At the corners of the capital, framed by shafts of volutes, are figures of representative scientists, selected from different periods of the world's history. Archimedes appears with his geometrical compass; Roger Bacon, with retort and test tube; Isaac Newton studies an apple; Lord Kelvin demonstrates with his galvanometer. These groups are linked together by masses of foliage, the curving perpendicular lines of which help to support the richly-carved abacus.

The pillar has been carved in memory of Professor Thomas Andrews, F.R.S., Vice-President and Professor of Chemistry of Queen's College, Belfast, for many years, and of his wife.

The Primate will preach, and both the Queen's University and the Belfast Academical Institution, in which Andrews and Kelvin received part of their early education, will be officially represented.

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fears I had regarding the election, and did not mean to handle it in the way it ought to be handled. If that was its honest concern, the publication of the letter to Rakovsky on the Saturday morning ought to have stopped the whole attack, as Sir Eyre Crowe assured it would, because it proved that the letter had been handled with great expedition and with a firmness that is evident on the face of it.

But that would not have suited the purpose of those who had made up their minds that, by hook or by crook, we were to be defeated on the Wednesday, so it is worth while going into one or two more details.

Mr. Marlowe says that the Foreign Office officials were quite convinced of the authenticity of the letter and of the expediency of publishing. The Treasury inquiry report makes it perfectly clear that that was not the case, and, in any event, the person to be convinced was the responsible head, the Secretary of State himself. The accusation now is that we did not publish the letter when we received it. I should like to ask Foreign Secretaries whether that is the way they do their business.

WHY?

Why should we have published the letter when we received it? We handled the letter immediately, as the dates show. We handled it very energetically, as all the disclosures have proved, and I had made it perfectly clear that publication was going to take place. Therefore, that excuse for publication is of the same nature as the other excuse. It is merely an attempt to justify an action which was not justifiable at all. What is now clear is this: That outside the Foreign Office there was knowledge of this Zinoviev letter, and that that knowledge was being used dishonestly to stampede the British public against the Government.

As I have said from the beginning I say now. I do not believe that that letter was communicated to any outside body by anyone inside the Foreign Office or any other Department which received the letter in the ordinary and proper way from the Foreign Office, and I repudiate most warmly the implication by Mr. Marlowe that he was able to receive from Government Departments confidential documents to be used for political purposes.

That letter passed into politicians' hands, who, finding in it a chance of rousing the country upon fraudulent issues, took that chance. There has been always in our public life a specially keen honour regarding Foreign Office business. Every newspaper, irrespective of party, has recognised the enormous amount of damage to national interests that can be done by making Foreign Office business a plaything of party spite or interest. Those who took part in that Zinoviev general election " stunt " violated that most egregiously, as Mr. Marlowe confesses.

" AN ERROR OF JUDGMENT."

The statements that an attempt is being made to revive the suggestion that I considered I had been disloyally served by Foreign Office officials are absolute fabrications. I think they committed an error of judgment; but that is purely a matter for settlement between them and myself, and that is how I handled it. To this day I do not quite understand how, on six hours' knowing that I was at the end of a telephone, I was not informed of the *Daily Mail's* intention, or of the Foreign Office intention, to send the Note to Rakovsky, more particularly as I have said it never was the subject of a consultation, because it could not be, between the officials and myself, I having left London before the letter was put in the files, and having been out of London the whole time during which the matter was handled. That I have always regarded simply as a failure of judgment.

The meaning of Mr. Marlowe's letter is a confession that the origin of the letter was probably a fake, but that certainly its use was a fraud, and its publication makes it all the more necessary that the Government should give us an inquiry into the whole subject.

The Zinoviev letter came from the Secret Service, according to the Home Secretary. It came in the form of a copy of the original document, and "it came to Sir Eyre Crowe personally on the 10th October, the day after dissolution. It was considered officially, and decided not to bring it before the Prime Minister until some proof was obtained that it was authentic. Sir Eyre Crowe was not sure about it, and had to examine it.

On October 14th the document went into its proper department. It reached me in Manchester on October 15th. That was the first time that I knew of the existence of this letter.

HIS MINUTE.

Before I went to bed that night I added my minute. Had I been holding up the document I should have minuted, "Please bring this up when I return to London." Instead of that I sent it back within a few hours to the Foreign Office with instructions. I then went on with my tour.

The next place for picking up Foreign Office documents was Port Talbot. The Foreign Office received my communication on the 17th. On the 21st, Tuesday, the Foreign Office communication arrived at Port Talbot. I was at Bassetlaw, and it did not come into my hands until the Thursday, the 23rd. On the Friday it was in the hands of the Foreign Office again.

Where is the case that I was holding it up? If the case is that the letter ought to have been published as soon as received, I say it is such a palpably absurd suggestion that important documents should be published before the Foreign Office has dealt with them, that no honest man can give credence to the excuse.

Until the Saturday morning when I saw the attack that was being made upon me, it never crossed my mind that the letter had any political significance at all. I have never formed a definite conclusion about the document. My suspicion has always been that it was not authentic. I have never been able to prove that it was not authentic. I have never been able to prove that it was authentic. But practically from the beginning I took the view that the important point was not the authenticity of the document, but the use to which the document was put.

THE CORK CITY RAILWAY.

COMMISSIONER AND THE LEE BRIDGES.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

CORK, Sunday.

That the cost of maintaining, operating and renewing the Brian Boru and Clontarf bridges over the River Lee should continue to be borne by the Great Southern Railways, is the opinion of Mr. P. Monahan, Commissioner for the Borough of Cork, whom I interviewed on this question yesterday. Under the private bill at present before the Oireachtas the company are seeking to obtain authority for the abandonment or transfer of the Cork City Railway, and if the bill passes in its present form these two bridges must be removed or the city must assume responsibility for their upkeep.

Mr. Monahan says that the Railway Act of 1924 purports to terminate the liability of local authorities for the losses of the railway company. Is this Act final, he asks, or is it to be repealed by a series of private bills, and are the old baronial guarantees to be imposed in a new form ?

If the bill represents the considered policy of the railway company, he remarked, then its passage through the Dáil must be viewed with the gravest suspicion by all local authorities. There must never again be laid on the ratepayers any responsibility for making up any share of the losses of the railway company.

THE WORKING LOSSES.

The Commissioner suggested that there might be reasons of public policy for helping the company to pay its old dividends, but the nature of the help and its extent could not be determined by the working losses of the company.

Although they had put forward two reasons in justification for the abandonment of the bill—(1) that the City Railway was operated at a loss, and (2) that the bridges were extensively used by vehicular traffic, and, therefore, should be paid for by the city—the company had as yet made no attempt to explain the basis on which the expenditure and receipts of this mile of railway are calculated. After two prolonged interviews, he said, the representatives of the city have been unable to elicit any information on the point. Beyond making a peremptory demand on the city to take upon itself the burden of upkeep of the bridges, the directors of the company had not at any time indicated that they considered any other way out of their difficulties.

So far as Cork is concerned, the railway demands too much, he declared, and while the evil consequences of the passing of this bill will, for the moment, be confined to Cork City, the question naturally arises if the Oireachtas permits the company to abandon a section of their railway in Cork because it does not pay, can it logically refuse a similar privilege to the company in respect of non-paying sections in other parts of the Free State? In other words, if Cork is forced to help the company financially, will not other cities and counties be forced to do so later on ?

INCREASED CITY RATES.

The operating and maintenance of the two bridges is estimated to cost £3,000 annually, and, in addition, there is urgently needed an expenditure of £1,200 in repairs and renewals. This would mean an immediate increase of 6d. in the £ in the rates for the city.

He added that when the city had met all these charges, the railway company would still have the right to block up the entire quay traffic as often as they liked to run a wagon from Glanmire to the Blandon Station, and every sand barge could at any hour call for the opening of the bridges, with a similar disorganisation of traffic.

The Railway Act of 1924 he said, is not going to be repeated. The city stands by its bargain, and in return for the free use of the bridges the company have free use of the streets.

THE THRIFT MOVEMENT.

SAVINGS COMMITTEE FORMED IN CARLOW.

At a representative meeting held in the Town Hall, Carlow, on Friday night a Regional Savings Committee for the County Carlow was established in conformity with the organisation of the Central Savings Committee.

The Most Rev. Dr. Cullen, who presided, said that the suggestion was that people should invest any little surplus capital that that had, and invest it in Savings Certificates: that was, any capital that they might have over and above what was required for their everyday needs. By investing it in Savings Certificates that capital was safe, and it was increasing in value every day at the rate of 5½ per cent., compound interest. The object of the movement was that people might preserve their capital in order that they might have it to draw on later for wise spending when the necessity or opportunity arose.

Some people might say that their earnings were so small that it would not be worth their while to invest them. That was a mistake. No matter how small a person's earnings might be, was it not well that he should put a small amount of it in some investment, so that it would be growing for him? If this movement, the bishop concluded, had no other effect than that of developing a co-operative spirit, which is so much needed in the country, then it would have done enough, and more than enough, to justify its existence. (Applause.)

MR. T. P. GILL.

Mr. T. P. Gill, Chairman of the Central Savings Committee, also addressed the meeting. He said that everywhere it was found that this movement was providing a new leverage for developing character, and bringing out the spirit of citizenship. It was providing means and opportunities for fostering civic responsibility, for bringing citizens together in common national effort, and furnishing a new foothold for training in those methods of domestic order and economy without which the people's homes and family welfare cannot be built upon a sure foundation. Patriotic people of different politics and creeds, realising that this was a work to be advanced, no matter what Government or form of government might be in being, organised themselves into voluntary committees to promote the movement. Thus came to be formed the National Savings Committees, like their Central Savings Committee for the Irish Free State, and the Regional Committees, like the one which they were now forming for the County Carlow.

Explaining the purchase of the certificates, Mr. Gill said that they could be bought co-operatively. Children in a school can, under the instruction of their teachers, form a co-operate school savings association, and buy the certificates in common. Workers in a factory or business house can do the same. The maximum number of certificates an individual can hold is five hundred. This means an investment of £387 10s., which in five years becomes £500, a profit of £112 10s. Very few gilt-edged securities in the market can better that. Though it is cashable at any time, with the interest earned to date, the Savings Certificate is meant to be a long-range investment as distinct from the Post Office Savings Bank Deposit, which is more suitable for current needs.

This was not a kill-joy movement, Mr. Gill said. It put no ban on recreation and fun, nor did it mean going without everything that other people were enjoying. And, secondly, it did not mean teaching people to be misers and hoarders. On the contrary, constructive thrift aimed at saving expressly with a view to spending—to wise spending, at the suitable time, on constructive or productive objects.

Mr. V. J. Quinn, Alderman De Loughry, T.D., Kilkenny; the Rev. Canon Ridgeway, Carlow; Senator Cummins, Newbridge; Mr. E. Duggan, and Mr. Thomas Donnelly, Carlow, also addressed the meeting.

GAS POISONING AT LARNE.

Andrew Clements (54), hairdresser, Pound street, Larne, was found dead in an armchair in the kitchen of his house on Saturday. A flexible gas tube lay beside the body, and death was due to gas poisoning. Clements, it appears, had been in poor health, and was living apart from his family.

SHORTHAND TYPISTS AND TYPISTS.

Limited Competition announced for May. Last exam. January, 1925. 70 Successes. PHENOMENAL RESULTS. Special Evening Classes. None but intending Candidates admitted to these Classes. Tuition in Irish Shorthand and Irish Typewriting a special feature.—SKERRY'S COLLEGE, 76 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin.—(Advt.)

THE BETTING EVIL.

DISQUIETING FEATURES OF THE TIMES.

Taking as his text, Exodus xx. 17: "Thou shalt not covet anything that is thy neighbour's," the Very Rev. H. B. Kennedy, preaching at Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, yesterday morning, spoke of the enormous growth of the evil of betting and gambling, which is one of the most disquieting features of the present day. The results of recent legislation had brought the evil more prominently than ever under public notice. In Dublin alone the rapid growth of betting offices, legalised by the State, and the lamentable effects of their working had created a demand, emphasised by the police authorities, for fresh legislative restrictions. It was stated in the Press a few days ago that legislation will shortly be introduced in the British Parliament to give local authorities the power to prohibit greyhound racing and to enforce restrictions on betting. It was notorious that this new form of so-called sport mainly served as an opportunity for betting, and was having demoralising effects in this direction, especially on young people.

The facts before the Select Committee of the House of Commons showed the enormous extent of the betting evil. To name a few of them: "Not less than £200,000,000 was staked every year in betting on horse races. There was a marked growth of betting among women and children. Bookmakers and their agents, numbering some 50,000, form a class whose ingenuity was entirely unproductive—except to themselves. Both credit bookmakers and ready-money bookmakers were elaborately equipped and organised to protect their own interests and defeat the restrictions of the law. No good effect resulting from betting was discovered. It was shown to be thoroughly bad, economically, socially and morally.

DEMORALISING EFFECTS.

Betting impaired home life, produced poverty and was a frequent cause of personal degradation. Fraud was a common associate of betting, and crimes of dishonesty an inevitable outcome. In view of these facts, the preacher asked what attitude should they, as Christians, adopt towards this evil. All thoughtful observers had noticed that the tendency of the practice of betting and gambling was to demoralise those who were addicted to it, and to produce a spirit of restless and unhealthy excitement, causing lack of application and indifference to success in the serious work of life.

But we find, as a matter of experience, the preacher continued, that very many who deplore these consequences are not quite clear why it is wrong to bet or gamble. They, for us inquire, is gambling in any form wrong, and, therefore, inconsistent with true Christian conduct? Gambling is the mutual attempt of two or more persons, by methods of chance, to deprive one another of their money or goods without giving a just equivalent. The fact that both parties consent to the transaction does not free the gambler from moral blame. The real evil—the sin—in gambling, some tell us, consists in the fact that the essential feature of gambling is chance. This is true as far as it goes. The fact that property is a sacred trust; that we are only God's stewards of what He has entrusted to us and for our use, of which we must give an account, that we have no right to gamble with such a trust may be a sufficient deterrent for the sincere Christian; but it is not so for a very large number of people, even of professing Christians. Others point out that the spirit of gambling is anti-social and essentially selfish. There is no mutual benefit in gambling; one wins and gives the loser no fair return for his money.

THE INWARD MOTIVE.

And again, gambling in any form is anti-social, because it becomes unhealthily engrossing, and makes the players act from a purely selfish standpoint. Such a spirit is absolutely opposed to the law of Christ. But even those reasons are not sufficient to convince a large number of professing Christians, not to mention outsiders; so we must go further and deeper to get a really conclusive reason. It is not the consequence of an action or a practice which should determine its moral meaning for us, and, therefore, our attitude towards it. The root of the whole matter is the motive from which it springs. And so the fundamental evil of gambling is to be found, not in the character of the transaction itself, nor yet in the consequences that result from it, but in the inward motive from which it springs, and that motive is quite sufficient to account for the deterioration of character which marks the habitual gambler.

The reason why gambling is wrong is because it is almost invariably the expression of covetousness, and covetousness is condemned as an evil thing both by the law of God and by the general consensus of human opinion. Gambling must be seen to be wrong if we can prove that it always involves covetousness, which religious and moral teachers all down the ages have admitted to be a gross vice. It is not covetousness to desire to possess the goods of any person if you are prepared to give him a just equivalent; but it is covetousness to desire those goods without making a fair exchange of some sort with him. If we search down to the root motive in every kind of gambling we shall find it to be covetousness in some form or other, whether acknowledged or secret.

PERSONAL INTERESTS.

It may be difficult at first sight to explain on these principles why rich men bet, when to them the money at stake is a trifle. But many people do wrong or foolish acts simply because it is the fashion of the social circle in which they live to do such things, and so it is with betting. The motive of covetousness may not be present with them, but it is present with others of their set, who keep up the practice of betting from personal interests. Unfortunately, you will see this motive even in religious circles, in raffles at bazaars and sales of work. Now, unless you adopt the delusive argument that the end justifies the means, you cannot distinguish the principle which underlies a raffle at a charitable bazaar from that of a sweepstake on horse-racing.

Numbers of excellent people who are perfectly willing to take tickets in a raffle at a bazaar would repudiate the idea of covetousness. But you will find that they are often extremely keen to win what they take the ticket for. In other words, you will find that the element of covetousness does enter into it, and they are quite willing to take all they can get without paying a fair price for it. Again, in the case of backing one's own skill in games—down at the root of it all there is this same idea—perhaps sometimes unconsciously—and that is the secret of the "added interest" which gamblers say is given to a game when there is something staked on it. The size of the stake does not affect the question whether the practice is right or wrong. The mischief or damage done by a wrongful act is one thing; the essential wickedness of the act is another altogether, and you cannot compare them.

THE TRAINING OF CHILDREN.

The practice of gambling is contrary to God's law, and, therefore, it should be avoided by all who wish to keep God's law. Especially in the training of children we should urge upon them by our practice and by our precept that it is always wrong to deprive another of his goods without giving a just equivalent for them; and when that truth is instilled into children during their early years, gambling should become as repugnant to a well-trained boy or girl as lying or theft.

Above all, let us remember that the grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ alone can supply the regenerative moral force needed alike to reform the individual gambler, and to purify our social life from this vice. The essential principle of gambling is to deprive; the essential principle of the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ is to bestow. You cannot reconcile the two. We who are on the Lord's side, and who follow the principles of Christ, should seek to "bear one another's burdens, and so to fulfil the law of Christ." "Who pleased not Himself but gave Himself for us, the Just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God."

DIOCESAN HALL LECTURES.

Continuing his series of lectures on "The Near Approach of Our Lord's Return," Mr. R. T. Nash spoke at the Diocesan Hall, Dublin, last Saturday at 5 o'clock, and again at 8 o'clock. Yesterday he addressed the children during Service in St. Andrew's, and afterwards spoke at a meeting in Kingstown. At 8.30 p.m. he gave an address at the weekly Service at Y.M.C.A. Hall, when there was a very large congregation present.

The lectures will be continued at the Diocesan Hall until Wednesday night.

The Finance Committee of the Derry Corporation has accepted a tender at £504 16s. 3d. for the erection of a pavilion at the new bowling green in Brooke Park.

THE ROYAL ULSTER YACHT CLUB.

PROSPECTS FOR THE COMING SEASON.

The annual report of the Royal Ulster Yacht Club, which was laid before the members at the annual meeting in Bangor on Saturday last, showed that a number of improvements had been carried out in the clubhouse which would promote the comfort and convenience of the members. From a sailing point of view, the past season was an interesting one, and there were few occasions on which the weather prevented racing, but several of the Wednesday evening races were unfinished owing to calms, and the shortening of the course was, therefore, under consideration. The activities of the club were briefly sketched, and pleasure was expressed that the Royal North of Ireland Yacht Club "Ialand" Class had been with them more frequently than during the past few years. The Rear-Commodore's Cup for that class was won by Fiara.

The prospects for the coming season were decidedly favourable. In the "River" Class Glynn and Vee will be out in the hands of their new owners, and it was hoped that Strule would be in the water again, bringing the class up to full strength. The regatta for this year was fixed for July 13th and 14th. The present membership of the club was stated to be—Life, 35; import, 345 (including juniors); outport, 76, and ladies, 114. Thanks were expressed to Lieutenant-Colonel R. Groves-Raines, D.S.O., the retiring Rear-Commodore, and to the other officers of the club.

Mr. Donald L. Ross, Hon. Treasurer, submitted the financial statement, which was of a satisfactory nature.

The Chairman (Colonel Sharman Crawford, D.L.) said that they were under a debt of gratitude to Mr. Ross for the excellent state of their finances. They had redeemed £525 of Debentures, while they had also expended £100 on the clubhouse, and still had a credit balance in the bank.

The accounts were passed.

THE ELECTIONS.

The election of officers then took place, and the Chairman proposed that the Prince of Wales be re-elected as their Commodore. He then referred to the fact that the Prince was not coming to Ireland this year and to the gift from His Royal Highness of a Cup for competition.

The motion was passed with acclamation.

The other officers were elected as follows:—Vice-Commodore, Colonel the Right Hon. R. G. Sharman-Crawford, D.L.; Rear-Commodore, Captain L. W. Henderson; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Donald L. Ross; Hon. Secretary, Mr. Richard A. Barbour; Committee—Messrs. J. A. Rogers, James Macoun, William Hume, F. Jefferson, W. Muir McMullan, A. D. McIlwaine, G. Brown, and W. H. Elwood.

THE NEW REAR-COMMODORE.

The Chairman, in congratulating Captain Henderson, the new Rear-Commodore, referred to the fact that his uncle, Sir Trevor Henderson, had been Rear-Commodore of the club twenty years ago, and he rejoiced to see one of the name again in that position.

Captain Henderson, in returning thanks, said that he would endeavour to follow in Sir Trevor's footsteps and uphold the traditions of the club to the best of his ability.

FRANKNESS IN THE HOME.

PRIEST'S ADVICE TO WIVES AND HUSBANDS.

The second Lenten lecture of the series on "The Home," by the Rev. Charles Doyle, S.J., was heard by a large congregation in St. Francis Xavier's Church, Gardiner street, Dublin, yesterday afternoon. The subject of yesterday's lecture was "The Head of the Home."

Addressing married men, the reverend lecturer said:—"You are not to let any human thing, any living or earthly thing come between you and your wife. You are to have no truer friend, no closer confidente, no dearer companion, than your wife. This is often far from easy. Breaches of harmony would occur," he continued, "but they could be set aright again by making the resolution to ask the wife's pardon for every quarrel, and to acknowledge oneself to be in the wrong. The underlying tenderness in the wife's heart would respond, and the matter would be closed most happily."

The lecturer went on to recommend absolute frankness between husband and wife in all their relations, financial and otherwise. Husband and wife were meant to be one, and this identity would never be attained or maintained if they were not frank with one another. He warned husbands against harbouring suspicions against wives, or wives against husbands, and counselled immediate frankness; for a little suspicion that had been magnified by thought might be dispelled in one moment by frankness. This was precisely the point at which numerous misunderstandings of married life began.

In speaking of financial relations, the lecturer said that the average woman was a far better manager and provider than the average man. She should be allowed to run the family business. It was unwise to demand bills and an account of stewardship from a wife. "Trust her and, if she loves you, she will not deceive or betray you. If she does not love you you will not be able to detect the fraud; for not even the greatest mathematician could correctly add up his wife's household expenses."

A wife should be allowed "pin" and dress money. Dress was one of the joys of a woman's life, essential to her nature, and if she was not allowed money for dresses the best wife in the world was capable of making the dinner pay for them. It was, therefore, good economy to let a wife have money for bounces and frills and other little vanities.

Father Doyle, in eloquent terms, warned the husband against being a gay Lothario. Such a course was cowardly and cruel, for a married man invariably flirted with an unmarried girl. Gross marital infidelity, however, was not common in this country. Again, a husband should never trust men and leave his wife unprotected. In conclusion, Father Doyle said that a man's duty to his home and his wife could be summed up in one word—" unselfishness."

FOR OLDEST SERVICE CHARITY.

SUCCESSFUL DANCE IN CORK.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

CORK, Sunday.

The funds of the Incorporated Society of Ex-Soldiers and Sailors—the oldest Service charity in the British Isles—benefited largely as the result of a Leap Year dance held in the Arcadia Ballroom, Cork, last Wednesday. Upwards of three hundred people attended the dance, which was promoted by Mrs. R. M'Kechnie, to whom every credit is due for the success which crowned her efforts. She was ably helped by Mr. R. M'Kechnie, Mr. and Mrs. J. M'Kechnie, Misses N. and G. Scott, and Messrs. E. and S. J. Whitaker.

Among those present were:—Lord Lisle, Captain and Mrs. Newenham and party, Mr. and Mrs. J. Dwyer and party, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Dring and party, Mr. and Mrs. J. Crosbie, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Harrington, Mr. and Mrs. H. Whitaker, Mr. and Mrs. S. Sullivan, Mr. and Miss Dinan, Miss Atkins (Dunmanway), Miss Jeffers (Bandon), Miss Hill, Miss Moffett, Miss Robertson, Miss Lyons, Miss F. Magner, Miss McBride, Miss Griffin, Miss Goodall, Miss Cross, Messrs. Goodbody, R. Mainwaring, R. Harrington, W. Harrington, J. Buchan, R. Simcox, H. Cronin, W. Power, Dr. G. Ahern, Sub-Lieutenant Kendall, Miss C. Daly and Miss Graham.

NATIONAL INSURANCE ACTS.

The King's County Insurance Society were informed by the Insurance Commission that their inspection staff would have a survey or house-to-house inspection carried out in that county and portions of the adjoining counties, to ensure compliance with the provisions of the National Insurance Acts. The committee of the Society have approved of this, and requested the Commission to issue legal proceedings where the Acts were not being complied with.

NEW DERRY MAGISTRATES.

At Claudy Petty Sessions, the recently-appointed Justices of the Peace, Messrs. Matthew Mitchell, William Maxwell, John A. Lyons and James Cochrane, were sworn in as magistrates by Mr. R. W. Glass, R.M., who cordially welcomed them to the bench.

U.S. MARKETS.

STOCKS IRREGULAR AT THE CLOSE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Stocks opened irregular. The extraordinary volume of buying orders for General Motors, amounting to 300,000 shares for the two hour session, was an outstanding feature, and the Stock advanced over 5 points under the influence of predictions of record-breaking first quarter earnings, together with prospects of a substantial extra dividend. Lambert American Express, General Railway Signal, American Agricultural Chemical Preferred, and United States Cast Iron Pipe early substantially advanced, and United States Steel developed strength, but the price movements otherwise were irregular. Seaboard Air Line, International Nickel, Union Carbide, Timken Roller Bearing, Radio Corporation Case Threshing Machine, and several other specialities developed heaviness, but Du Pont and Consolidated Gas recorded sharp gains. The market closed irregular. Government Bonds steady. Railroad Bonds quiet. The day's sales totalled 1,272,000 shares.

Money on call nominal. Sterling exchange steady. Silver unchanged at 57.

	Sat.	Fri.
Call Money	Nom.	4½% 4½%
Exchange on Lon.—60 days sight	4.82⅝/16	4.82⅝/16
Do. do. Demand Bills	4.87/16	4.87⅛/16
Cable Transfers	4.87⅛/16	4.87⅛/16
Do. Montreal	4.86⅝	4.86⅞
Exchange Paris cable	3.93⅝	3.93⅝

Eng. Parity.	Stocks.	Sat.	Fri.
100⅛	Atchison, Topeka, Santa Fe	183½	183
100⅛	Do. Pref.	104	104
114⅛	Baltimore and Ohio	111¼	111⅝
210⅛	Canadian Pacific	206	204½
23¼	Chicago, Milwaukee, & St. Paul	23½	23½
23½	Chicago and North-West	81	81½
53⅛	Erie Shares	25⅝	25⅝
58⅛	Erie 1st Preferred	55	55
136	Illinois Central	136	136½
143⅛	Louisville and Nashville	143½	143⅝
35⅝	Missouri, Kansas, and Texas	35½	35⅝
46⅝	Missouri Pacific New	45½	45¼
160⅛	New York Central & Hudson R.	161	160⅝
19⅛	Norfolk and West Com.	19⅜	19⅜
94⅛	Northern Pacific Com.	94¼	94½
67⅛	Pennsylvania Shares	66⅛	65¾
100⅞	Reading Shares	99⅝	98
43⅝	Do. Pref.	42⅞	42
122	Southern Pacific	119	119¼
147⅛	Southern Railway	144⅞	144⅞
178⅛	Union Pacific	180½	181
85⅝	Do. Pref.	84½	85⅜
79⅜	American Can. (New Stock)	77⅞	77¼
178⅛	American Smelt. and Refining	178⅞	178
53⅝	Anaconda Copper	54⅜	54⅛
71¼	Anglo-American Oil	70⅝	70⅝
26⅞	Bethlehem Steel Com. Stock	26⅜	27⅛
27⅛	Brit.-American Tobacco Coupon	27¼	27⅝
138⅝	New York Consolidated Gas	135⅛	134
129⅛	General Electric New Stock	129⅛	128
147⅛	General Motors (New)	144¼	138⅞
4¼	Intnr Mer. Marine Com. Certs	4⅜	4⅝
37⅛	Do. Pref. Certs.	37⅛	37⅛
38⅛	International Pet. of Canada	37⅝	37⅝
127⅛	National Lead	124½	124⅝
44⅛	North American Petroleum	43⅝	43⅝
43⅛	Shell Transport and Trading	42	42
25⅛	Shell Union Oil Corp.	25⅛	25⅛
98⅛	U.S. Rubber	96⅝	96⅝
143⅛	United States Steel Common	140⅛	138⅛
143	Do. Pref.	139⅛	139⅛
—	Silver Commercial Bars	57	57
	BONDS.		
100⅛	Atch. Top. Nov. 4 % Gen. Mort.	97⅛	96⅞
88⅞	Erie 1st Ref. Gen. 4 % Lien Bonds	97⅝	97½
100⅜	Union Pacific 4 % Bonds	97⅝	97½
112⅜	U.S. Steel 2nd Mort. 5 % Bonds	108⅝	108⅝
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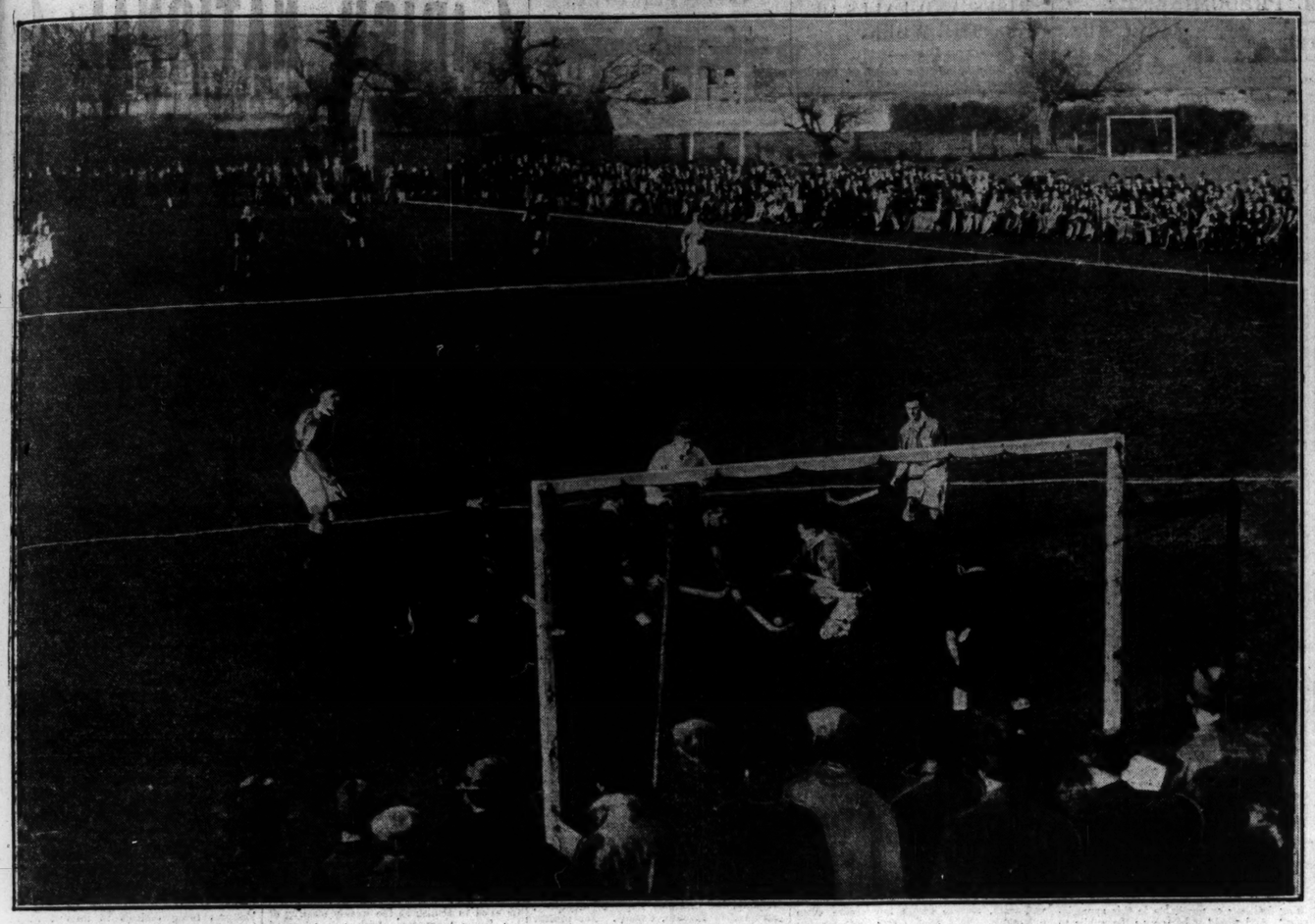
WALES DEFEATS IRELAND AT HOCKEY.



Wales defeated Ireland by 3 goals to 2 in the hockey match at Park avenue, Dublin, last Saturday. This picture shows McGregor on his knees trying to get in a shot when the Welsh goalkeeper was out of place.

A rush by the Wanderers' forwards in the match against Enniscorthy at Lansdowne road, Dublin.

North of Ireland and Malone met at Ravenhill, Belfast, last Saturday in the semi-final of the Ulster Senior Cup. A high throw in a line out.

This group, taken at the Plaza Ballroom, Dublin, last Saturday night, when an "international hockey" dance was held, includes:—Mrs. A. G. Burney, Dr. McCausland, Mr. T. S. O. Dagg, Mr. J. S. McMahon, Mr. W. F. McDonnell, Mr. Lampard-Vashell, Mr. C. Bruton, Mr. G. Richardson and Mr. Ivan Howe.

Cummins, the Bohemians' goalkeeper, punches away when hard-pressed by the Drumcondra forwards, in the match at Dalymount Park, Dublin.

Latest Fashion.—The high crown of this hat is worked with a spray of leaves in soft coloured silks.

Mrs. Ella Duffy's group of prize-winning Shetland ponies at the National Pony Society's show in London. Diblets of Penniwells, champion of the show, is on the left.

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ORDINATIONS AT CLONLIFFE COLLEGE.

The Most Rev. Dr. Byrne, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Dublin, conferred the following Orders at Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, on Saturday:—

Porter and Rector—Mr. Thomas Macken, C.S.Sp. (on whom the Order of Tonsure was conferred there the previous evening).

Exorcists and Acolytes—Messrs. Jeremiah Dinan, C.S.Sp.; Dermond Connaughton, C.S.Sp.; James Finnucane, C.S.Sp.; Thomas Bornaghan, C.S.Sp.; Thomas Fox, C.S.Sp.; Eugene Garvey, O.D.C.; Patrick Collins, O.D.C.

Sub-deacons — Messrs. Ambrose Kelly, C.S.Sp.; Eugene Butler, C.S.Sp.; Thomas Maguire, C.S.Sp.; James Coleman, C.S.Sp.

Priests—Rev. Peter Michael Doyle, C.M.; Rev. Vincent Allen, C.M.

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS.

The quarterly meeting of the Council of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland was held in Belfast last Wednesday.

Mr. T. Saunders Graham, Belfast, was admitted a Fellow of the Institute.

Messrs. Frederick J. Dunn and Michael Lynch, Dublin, Robert R. Green and Robert McClenahan, Belfast, were admitted Associates in practice. Miss Emma Bodkin and Mr. Edward Clibborn Bewley, Dublin; Messrs. Frank Byers, Edgar McKee, Francis R. Neill, Charles R. P. O'Neill, John J. Patterson, and Robert Reid, Belfast, were admitted Associates not in practice.

The following candidates passed the examinations of the Institute held in November last:—

Preliminary—Patrick J. Considine, Joseph F. Lennane, Basil C. Peterson, Arthur J. Wilson, Dublin; Angus J. Campbell, James G. Charleton, William H. Duncan, Norman A. Noble, Kenneth S. Oliver, Norman H. Smith, and Samuel Stockman, Belfast.

Intermediate — Charles W. Chambers, Patrick Delaney, Patrick J. Donnellan, Robert H. Graham, Richard D. Latchford, Eamonn T. McCarron, and Richard Shackleton, Dublin; Burleigh M. Greer and Hugh D. Strain, Belfast.

Final—Miss Emma Bodkin and Mr. Edward C. Bewley, Dublin; Francis Byers, Sydney H. Laughlin, Edgar McKee, Francis R. Neill, Charles R. P. O'Neill, and John J. Patterson, Belfast.

Two candidates in the Preliminary, two in the Intermediate examination, and five in the Final examination failed to satisfy the examiners.

It was decided to hold the next half-yearly examinations from the 15th to the 18th May, inclusive.

The appointment of representatives of the Institute on a Joint Sub-Committee in Northern Ireland to consider recommendations for the codification of the Income Tax Laws in Great Britain and Northern Ireland was noted with approval.

Mr. F. G. Walsh, Belfast, suggested the formation of a benevolent society within the Institute, and was requested to submit a scheme for the consideration of the Council at its next meeting.

IRISH MONTH.

At a meeting of the Council of the Dublin Industrial Development Association, Inc., held at the Permanent Exhibition of Irish Manufactures, it was reported that there is a very satisfactory response to the Association's appeal to merchants to make Irish month a success.

WAR DIET IN OMAGH.

It was reported to Omagh Board of Guardians last Saturday that seven officials in the workhouse and hospitals were still on war diet and did not receive any meat.

The Clerk said that there was no doubt that the diet was still on the war scale, and a committee was appointed to revise the scale.

The dollar is to America just the most convenient way of measuring things done.—Mr. J. A. Spender.

"For the Blood is the Life."

A Portrait of Miss Florence Bignell whose mother writes:

"When eleven years old my daughter Florence had Severe Eczema on her face, arms and legs. The doctor to whom I took her gave her medicine, and I bathed the sore places with a solution of Sulphur, using all kinds of soap, but with no good results. She attended Hospital for three years and had the Sun Treatment for six months, but still got no better. At last I was recommended Clarke's Blood Mixture and after having four bottles I could see it was doing her good, so I continued with it, and she is now quite cured and her skin is perfectly clear of the sore places. My friends stop her in the street and are surprised to see what a bonny girl she now is. I shall always recommend your wonderful Clarke's Blood Mixture."—(Signed) Mrs. Bignell, 67 Scholars Rd., Balham, London, S.W.12

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FOREIGN MAILS.

The days of posting in Dublin (in the provinces correspondence should be posted a day earlier) during the week for the despatches of the principal overseas letter mails are indicated below:—

Monday—United States, Canada, Mexico, Japan, West Indies, Central America, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, Brazil, Uruguay, Paraguay, Argentine and Chile, via Southampton; Sierra Leone.

Tuesday—Egypt, Sudan, Palestine and Syria, via London; Canary Islands, Brazil and Sierra Leone, via Liverpool.

Wednesday—United States and Canada, via Queenstown; India, Ceylon, Malay States, Straits Settlements, Siam, China, Persia, Arabia, Iraq, Palestine, Syria, Sudan, Cyprus, Egypt, Kenya, Uganda, and Tanganyika, via Marseilles; Australia and New Zealand, via Toulon.

Thursday—South Africa, Rhodesia, South-West Africa, and Portuguese East Africa, via Southampton.

Friday—Egypt, Sudan, Palestine and Syria, via London; Peru and Gambia, via Liverpool; Belgian Congo, and French Middle Congo, via Antwerp.

Saturday—United States, Canada, and Newfoundland, via Queenstown; Mauritius, Madagascar, Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika, via Marseilles.

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PROSPECTUS.

The List will be closed on or before Wednesday, 7th March, 1928.

GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

5 PER CENT. LOAN, 1945-1975

Issue of £8,000,000 Registered Stock.

PRICE OF ISSUE £98 PER CENT.

Interest payable 1st January and 1st July. A Coupon for 15s. per £100 Stock, payable 1st July, 1928, will be attached to the Scrip.

Principal will be repaid in London at par on 1st July, 1975, the Government having the option of redemption, in whole or in part, on or after 1st July, 1945, on giving three months' notice.

The Government of the Commonwealth of Australia will comply with the requirements of the Colonial Stock Act, 1900, in order that **Trustees may invest in this Stock,** subject to the provisions set forth in the Trustee Act, 1925.

The Loan is Authorised by Acts No. 18 of 1921; No. 6 of 1925; Nos. 14 and 29 of 1926, and Nos. 12 and 27 of 1927, of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia.

The Commonwealth Bank of Australia is authorised by the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia to offer for subscription the above Loan of £8,000,000.

Payment will be required as follows:—

£5 0 0	per cent. on application.		
£13 0 0	"	"	16th March, 1928.
£30 0 0	"	"	30th April, 1928.
£50 0 0	"	"	31st May, 1928.
£98 0 0	per cent.		

The Loan is issued by the Commonwealth of Australia as a central borrower on behalf of itself and the States of New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland. The proceeds of the Loan will be used for developmental works in Australia, for settlement of migrants from Great Britain, and for redemption of securities.

Commonwealth of Australia Stock and Bonds issued and payable in London and the interest thereon, the property of persons not domiciled in Australia, are not, and will not be, subject to any taxes, duties or levies in Australia.

All Commonwealth Loans carry a Sinking Fund in accordance with the provisions of the National Debt Sinking Fund Acts, which provide *inter alia* that a sum equal to ten shillings per cent. shall be provided each financial year. In the case of Post Office Loans the Sinking Fund is increased to one-and-a-half per cent.

On a certain portion of the debt incurred for repatriation of ex-service men, no fixed percentage is provided for the Sinking Fund, because this debt is being repaid by instalments extending over varying periods not exceeding 35 years. These instalments, as received, are paid automatically into the Sinking Fund; all German reparations and one-half of the profits of The Commonwealth Bank of Australia pass into the same fund.

In addition to the money payable to the Sinking Fund, as above, the Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Australia has authority to apply surplus revenue to redemption of debt, and the year ended June 30th, 1927, £7,415,755 of surplus revenue actually was applied to redemption of debt. The total amount applied to redemption of debt from all sources in the same period of four years was approximately £26,000,000.

Prior to the last financial year the Sinking Fund was used chiefly in connection with redemption of War Loans maturing in Australia in years 1923 to 1927, amounting to £200,000,000 sterling.

The policy of the National Debt Commission now is to use a portion of the Sinking Fund for the purchase of stock in the London, and in the financial year ended June 30th, 1927, the National Debt Commission repurchased Commonwealth securities on London Market up to an amount of approximately one per cent. of the securities outstanding on that day of the Commission. The whole personnel of the National Debt Commission affords ample guarantee to British Investors that they will continue to receive equitable treatment as regard repurchases on the London Market.

Scrip Certificates to Bearer will be issued after payment of the amount due on allotment, and such Certificates, when fully paid, will be convertible into Registered Stock.

The Stock will be registered and transferable in any amount by deed free of stamp duty, at The Commonwealth Bank of Australia, 36-41 New Broad street, London, E.C.2, and Interest Warrants will be transmitted by post at the Stockholder's risk. In the case of joint accounts the warrants will be forwarded to the person first named in the account unless instructions to the contrary be given.

Applications on the form prescribed will be received at The Commonwealth Bank of Australia, 36-41 New Broad street, London, E.C.2, and must be for even hundreds of Stock, and be accompanied by a deposit of £5 per cent. on the nominal amount applied for.

In case of partial allotment the balance of the amount paid as deposit will be appropriated towards the amount due on allotment. In case of default in the payment of any instalment at its due date, the amount previously paid will be liable to forfeiture, and the relative Allotment to cancellation.

Payment in full may be made after allotment, and discount at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum will be allowed from 16th March, 1928, or from any subsequent date.

The Governments of the Commonwealth of Australia alone are liable in respect of this Stock and the Dividends thereon, and the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom and the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury are not directly or indirectly liable or responsible for the payment of the Stock or of the Dividends thereon, or for any matter relating thereto.—40 and 41 Vict., cap. 59, sec. 18.

A commission of 5s. per £100 of Stock will be paid to Bankers and Stockbrokers on allotments made in respect of applications bearing their stamp.

Prospectuses and forms of application and statistical statement relating to the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia may be obtained from The Commonwealth Bank of Australia, 36-41 New Broad Street, London, E.C.2; from Messrs. R. Nivison and Co., Bank Buildings, Princes Street, London, E.C.2; and from the High Commissioner for Australia, Australia House, Strand, W.C.2.

The Commonwealth Bank of Australia,
36-41 New Broad Street,
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3rd March, 1928.

THIS FORM MAY BE USED.

Application No..... Allotment No.....

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I/we enclose the required deposit of £....., being £5 per cent. on the nominal amount applied for.

Ordinary Signature .....

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March, 1928.

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LONDON STOCK MARKET FEATURES.

INDUSTRIALS STILL PREDOMINANT.

"HOUSE" AND "STREET" DEALINGS.

FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON, Saturday Night.

The market for Industrial Shares still overshadows everything else in the London Stock Exchange, and because of the great activity there movements in British Government Funds, Foreign Bonds, and Home Rails attract comparatively little attention. As far as can be seen, the chances are that the boom will continue, and will not end until a much higher level of prices is reached. It can be argued that the movement is not a boom in the strict sense of the word; that present prices are merely an index of what is believed to be the future earning power of the companies engaged in the manufacture of artificial silk, gramophones, and other articles. This may prove to be the case, but obviously nobody can speak with any certainty upon the point.

THE GAMBLE IN DUOPHONES.

The contention might be admitted in the case of such companies as Courtaulds and the Imperial Tobacco Co., where there is some basis upon which to appraise share values. But the same can scarcely be said of the big gramophone companies. These undertakings are known to be doing well, but what cannot be established is the extent to which present prices discount the prospective great increase in profits, and if this is so of the Gramophone and Columbia Graphophone Companies, what can be said of the Duophone Company? Here is a concern which has been formed for a considerable time now, but has never issued any accounts, and has not yet paid any dividend on the Preference Shares. It may be making good profits, but there is no indication at all of this and the quotation of the 10s. Shares at 58s. appears to discount the future very liberally.

INVOLUNTARY BEARS.

In this case, as, perhaps, in some others, it may be that the rise in price is not solely due to anticipations of future profits. It may be due to the existence of a bear position, brought about not by dealers deliberately selling shares which they had not got, but through a public demand having caught them temporarily out of shares. Finding the market rising against them, these dealers may have postponed the operation of buying back, and the longer they have done this the more difficult has it been for them to get level again. Whether the process has been rendered still more difficult by a deliberate manipulation of the market by outside operators, it is impossible to say. Duophone provides a case where caution on the part of the public is essential. The rise in the shares may represent a genuine demand by those who believe that the business done by the company warrants the present high level of the shares, or it may represent a market "rig." If the latter explanation is the more correct one, the boom will certainly collapse at some time or another, a possibility that makes the shares an undesirable investment for the ordinary investor.

RUBBER SHARES.

Logically, Rubber Shares should have fallen much more than they have done as a result of the great change in the outlook produced by the proposed enquiry into the whole question of restriction of output. One result of this enquiry may be the abandonment of the Stevenson scheme, in which case it is difficult to see that the commodity will not fall to a point nearer to the exceptionally low level which ruled before the plan came into operation. Adherents of the scheme maintain that it saved the industry from ruin. Although this can be admitted, it does not follow that it should be continued if there is reason to believe that it is now operating against the interests of British producers. It has failed in its full performance, because the Dutch planters could not be brought into it, and, undoubtedly, the latter have benefited from the restriction placed upon the operations of their rivals.

ATTITUDE OF THE PUBLIC.

Share values have not fallen as much as might have been expected, mainly because the public has not sold at all freely. While real holders were considering whether they should sell, the market was rendered by a fair rally in the commodity, and more recently by reports of negotiations for some arrangement with the Dutch interests. Prices, therefore, showed a disposition to recover, and, while this is so, the public, having great faith in the industry, probably will not sell on any large scale. It must be admitted, however, that the outlook is very obscure. It is thought that the Dutch planters may agree to some arrangement, because of the fear of the effect upon their interests of unrestricted production. That no Government action is likely to be taken for several months, however, is scarcely a bull point, for it would seem to lengthen the period of uncertainty.

STREET BUSINESS.

Two important London dailies have lately made statements to the effect that big Stock Exchange firms in London are not in the habit of transacting business in the street, thus suggesting that the market after hours is not dependable one. The statements may be misleading. Probably most firms of brokers prefer to execute their clients' orders in business hours and inside the Stock Exchange, but there is not the slightest reason why the business should not be done otherwise. The fact cannot be ignored that in these days the street market is a very big one, and on occasion the business done represents a very large sum indeed. Is the public, then, to be deprived of what advantage there may be in dealing after official hours? In some quarters the impression prevails that the Stock Exchange Committee does not recognise such transactions. There may be a sub-stratum of truth in this, for probably in the event of any complaint as to irregular dealing the Committee would say that as the business was not conducted in the Stock Exchange it has no jurisdiction. But it does not actually discountenance such business, otherwise we should not see every day both in the "Official List" and the "Supplementary List of Unquoted Securities" records of business done after hours on the previous day.

SAFEGUARDS.

When an order for the public is executed in the Street there is as much protection to the buyer or seller as though the business were done inside the "House," assuming always that the individual deals with a member, who, because he is a member, is to be trusted. The buyer or seller can insist upon his bargain being recorded on the following day, and the broker who executed it will check the business on the following morning with the jobber with whom he dealt. In the event of a dispute the procedure adopted by the Committee would be the same as if the business were done in the House; that is to say, the Committee appoints another member to decide the point at issue, and the decision of this arbitrator is binding on both parties. Everything depends upon the market valuation of Coutraulds Ordinary Shares increased in the street dealings by £12,000,000. Can it be contended that there was anything fictitious or unreliable in this appreciation? And would it be fair to the public to create an impression that if the holder desired to take advantage of the rise in order to realise his profit, the proper execution of his order could not be depended upon?

CHINESE BONDS.

Although Chinese Bonds have risen very considerably from the lowest points of the year, and, compared with the lowest of 1927, show a very substantial recovery, there would appear to be scope for a further rise if indications are to be depended upon that the outlook is now much better. The news some time ago that foreign supervision of the Salt Gabelle had been restored was a very important point. Recently, the Japan announced that the default on the Anglo-French 4½ p.c. Loan of 1908 has been made good. This issue had been in default since September last, when insufficient funds were forthcoming for the amortisation payment then due. In the case of the Shanghai-Nanking Railway Loan, the interest upon which was due on December 1st last, £20,000 has been already paid towards the service, and a further £20,000 is expected this month. These Bonds are quoted at 53, and without allowing for any accrued dividend, the yield at this price is nearly 8½ p.c. As still higher return, namely, over 9½ p.c., can be obtained from the 5 p.c. Loan of 1912, while the 5 p.c. of 1913, the status of which is considered superior to that of the two others, can be purchased to return over 7¾ p.c. The 4½ p.c. of 1898, although it yields considerably less, is an attractive investment, because with the 4 p.c. of 1895 and the 5 p.c. of 1896 have been finally redeemed it will enjoy a first charge upon the maritime customs revenue, while holders have the potential benefit of annual drawings at par.

DUBLIN STOCK EXCHANGE.

RISES AND FALLS OF THE WEEK.

The following are the rises and falls in stocks and shares dealt in on Dublin Stock Exchange during the past week as compared with last price on February 24:—

RISES.

	Price Feb. 24.	Price Mar. 2.	
Bank of Ireland	285	294	+9
National Bank	30½	30½	+½
Great Northern Guar.	56	57	+1
Great Southern Pref.	44½	44½	+½
Do. Guar.	35½	36½	+1
Bass Ord.	64/3	72/9	+8/6
B.A.T.	107/3	114/0	+6/9
Coats	66/9	73/0	+6/3
Do. Pref.	11½	11¾	+¼
Courtaulds	168/9	172/6	+3/9
Canadian Marconi	13/0	13/4½	+0/4½
Duophone Ord.	53/0	58/0	+5/0
Distillers Ord	65/6	68/9	+0/3
Imperial Tobacco	103/6	108/0	+4/6
Irish Times 6½ p.c.	17/0	17/6	+0/6
Lever 7 p.c.	21/9	22/0	+0/3
Marconi Marine	38/3	39/7½	+1/4½
McBirney	5/1½	5/6	+0/4½
Mexican Eagle Ord.	19/0	22/9	+3/9
Parent Trust Def.	34/0	35/6	+1/6
Radio Common	18½	19½	+1
Todd Burns Ord.	10/0	11/0	+1/0
Do. Pref.	53/0	57/6	+3/6
Vickers	11/6	11/10½	+0/4½
Do. Pref. (tax free)	14/4½	14/9	+0/4½

FALLS.

	Price Feb. 24.	Price Mar. 2.	
National Loan	100	99½	-½
Great Northern Ord.	35	34½	-½
Great Southern Ord.	18½	18	-½
Do. Deb.	64½	63½	-1
Rolands Ord.	48/0	47/6	-0/6
Burke Ord.	41/0	40/0	-1/0
Burmah Oil	98/3	90/0	-8/3
Branston Silks Ord.	19/9	18/6	-1/3
British Match	34/0	33/4½	-0/7½
Chartered (B.S.A.)	27/1½	26/6	-0/7½
Dublin Distillers Ord.	9/6	8/6	-1/0
Dublin Tram Ord.	79/11	77/6	-2/5
Do. "B" Debs.	60/4	60	-½
Dunlops	53/6	53/3	-0/3
Guinness	49/4	46/4	-2/0
Hayes, Con'ham Deb.	64/0	61/0	-3/0
Imperial Chem. Ord.	30/1½	29/10½	-0/3
Irish Times 6½ p.c.	77/6	77/0	-0/6
Marconi	9/0	8/3	-0/9
Do. Pref.	78/0	72/6	-2/6
Margarine Union Ord.	37/6	37/0	-0/6
Power Pref.	14/7½	14/3	-0/4½
Provincial Tram Pref.	85/0	82/0	-3/0
Parent Trust Pref.	14/6	14/3	-0/3
Shells	90/3	89/6	-0/9

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

THE OUTLOOK.

The start of a new account finds Industrials still first in public favour, and it is in this market that the most interesting movements may still be looked for. Great as is the prosperity that is being enjoyed by the Talking Machine industry it is permissible to doubt whether the prices attained by all the shares in this group are likely to be justified by results over a period of years, however brilliant may be the showing made by the next batch of reports (says *The Sunday Times*). It would be wiser, perhaps, to regard all of these shares as temporary, rather than as permanent investments, and to secure fair profits when obtainable. This applies still more forcibly to Film Shares and Greyhound Racing Shares, the prices of which are based mainly upon future possibilities. Profits realised on such speculative investments might be employed in the purchase of Bank Shares, Insurance shares, financial trusts of high standing, and judicious selection of the shares of companies engaged in the more substantial industries of the country, even though these may be under a temporary cloud. Although the motives for the revival in Russian Bonds are obscure the quality of the buying appears to be good, and the recovery is quite likely to be maintained. Russia is badly in want of external credits to provide new machinery and plant for the nationalised industries, and it is realised that before such credits will be granted an acceptable arrangement must be made with the holders of the Tsarist debt. Relatively, the Municipal Bonds are cheaper than those of the Government, but all are quite speculative.

PRUDENTIAL ASSURANCE PROGRESS.

The 79th annual report of the Prudential Assurance Company, presented to the shareholders at their general meeting on Thursday, March 1st, 1928, shows wonderful progress in all branches of the business. In the industrial branch the premiums received amounted to £16,583,454, and in the ordinary branch to £11,160,399, while the total assets of the company now stand at the enormous sum of £209,307,690. Throughout Ireland the Prudential is a household word, and its name is synonymous with stability and prompt payment of claims; the sums paid under this head in Ireland alone last year amounted approximately to £500,000. It is stated that all the Prudential's representatives in this country are Irishmen, and this feature would probably account for the steady growth of the company's business since the company commenced operations here over 50 years ago.

GREAT SOUTHERN OF IRELAND.

The much more satisfactory results now being reported by this railway are chiefly due to reduced working expenditure, the expense ratio to gross railway revenue, 91½ per cent. in 1925, falling to 89¾ per cent. in 1926 and to 84½ per cent. in 1927. Railway operating expenditure has fallen by £400,000 in the past two years, despite a higher train mileage. This time there is a much smaller draft on compensation fund, the 4 per cent. Preference dividend, absorbing £203,000, was only earned to the extent of £170,000 (writes the *Investors' Chronicle*). The balance of the Preference dividend, and all the Ordinary dividend, was met from the compensation reserve. It will be seen, however, from the following figures that earnings were very much better than in the two preceding years:—

Year to 31st Dec.	Operating Revenue. Gross.	Net.	Total Net Income.	From Re-serves.	Ord. Div.
	£	£	£	£	%
1925	4,430,519	380,390	466,493	376,000	2
1926	4,344,653	449,433	542,828	300,000	1
1927	4,401,407	674,327	752,865	100,000	1

There is still £242,000 in the compensation fund, equal to about 3 per cent. Ordinary dividend, and renewal reserves, etc., remain substantial at over £1,000,000. General reserve is still £235,000. The directors are making every effort to further reduce operating costs, but passenger traffic is falling off seriously, and steps are being taken to combat this. The stock looks a hopeful speculation at 18½, but passenger traffic is important.

ARGENTINE CROPS.

The Anglo-South American Bank has received the following telegram dated Buenos Aires, 1st March:—"Heavy rains have fallen generally over the maize districts, and even the latest sown crops may now be regarded as safe from any risk of damage by drought. Threshing of wheat and oats is proceeding actively, and ploughing operations continue under favourable climatic conditions. Active progress is being made with the harvest of grapes and other fruit. Prices for wheat, linseed and oats in the local grain market have advanced since a week ago, but maize has cheapened."

ANGLO-ORIENTAL ISSUE.

Small applicants will receive allotment in full, but large applicants will receive only a small percentage of the numbers applied for. Although applications from the Anglo-Oriental group shareholders have been given special consideration, applications on the special forms for over 3,000 shares receive only 50 per cent., while applications from the public have been graded from 80 per cent. to 20 per cent.

THE CREOLE SYNDICATE.

It is officially stated that, subject to ratification by the Creole Syndicate's shareholders, the Creole Syndicate will pass under control of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey. The latter company's subsidiaries operating in Venezuela will be merged with the Creole Syndicate through the medium of a new corporation to be known as the Creole Petroleum Corporation. This merger will coordinate some 6,300,000 acres of oil lands. The cash resources of the Creole Syndicate will be supplemented by 80,000,000, provided by the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, as additional working capital.

Over 100,000 trade buyers and 30,000 members of the general public visited the London section of the British Industries Fair, White City, which closed on Friday. These figures beat all previous "records." Over sixty countries were represented at the Fair.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.

CREDIT PLENTIFUL.

Conditions remain comfortable in Lombard street, with credit in ample supply. There was, however, no plethora of money as is sometimes the case on a Saturday. Old day-to-day loans were renewed at 3½ to 3¾ per cent., and fresh accommodation over the week-end was offered at 3½ down to 3 per cent. Weekly fixtures were renewed at 3¼ per cent.

Bank Rate Discount (changed April 21, 1927), 4½%

60 days (final)	4⅛	4 1/32%			
3 months	"	4 3/32%	Trade	4½	5 %
4 "	"	4 3/32%	"	4¾	5 %
6 "	"	4 5/32	4 1/32%	"	5	5½%
Loans to Brokers Day-to-day					3	3½%
" " for a Week						3½%
Deposit Allowance: Banks at Call						2½%
" " Discount Houses at Call						2½%
" " " at Notice						2½%

The discount market was idle, with rates steady.

No bullion operations were reported at the Bank, and the price of gold in the open market was unchanged at 84s. 11½d. per ounce fine. Silver improved ½d. on China buying to 26½d. per ounce for spot and 26½d. for forward delivery.

In the Foreign Exchange market sterling on New York rallied to 4.87⅛, but Continental gold rates did not respond.

	Mar. 3 Closing Rates	Mar. 2 Closing Rates	Par Rate
Amsterdam	12.12½ 12.12⅝	12.12½ 12.12⅝	12.10
B. Ayres	47⅞ 47⅞	47⅞ 47⅞	47/9d.
Barcelona	28.86 28.90	28.87 28.93	28.23½
Berlin	20.41½ 20.42½	20.41½ 20.42½	20.43
Brussels	34.99 35.00	34.99 35.01	35.00
Calcutta	1/3 1/3	1/3 1/3	1/6 2/0
Copenhagen	18.20¼ 18.21⅛	18.20¼ 18.21⅛	18.15
Geneva	25.23½ 25.24½	25.23½ 25.24½	25.22½
Greece	3.68½ 3.69	3.68½ 3.69	25.22½
Helsingfors	193½ 193¾	193¼ 193¾	193.23
Italy	22.33 22.38	22.31 22.36	22.27½
Kobe (yen)	1/11 1/11	1/11 1/11	24.59d.
Montreal	4.86⅞ 4.86⅞	4.86⅞ 4.86⅞	4.86⅞
Montevideo	50½ 51⅛	50½ 51⅛	51
New York	4.87⅛ 4.87⅛	4.87⅛ 4.87⅛	4.86⅞
Oslo	18.31 18.31½	18.30½ 18.31½	18.15
Paris	123.95 124.05	123.95 124.05	25.22½
Prague	164¼ 164¾	164¼ 164¾	24.02
Rio de Jan.	5/8 5/8	5/8 5/8	27d.
Shanghai	2/9¼ 2/9⅝	2/9¼ 2/9⅝	—
Singapore	2/3 2/3	2/3 2/3	2/4
Stockholm	18.16½ 18.17½	18.16½ 18.17½	18.16
Vienna	34.61 34.64	34.61 34.64	34.53½
Warsaw	43¼ 43¾	43¼ 43¾	25.22½

MEXICAN EAGLE FUTURE.

"SHELL" TAKES CHARGE OF OUTSIDE ASSETS.

The main subject of discussion in the Oil Share Market during the latter part of the week has been the plans of the Mexican Eagle Company, as disclosed in a circular to the shareholders. In the past the whole income of the company, which is registered in Mexico, whether from assets in Mexico or outside that country, has been subject to Mexican taxation. The scheme now disclosed has been formulated to avoid the payment of Mexican taxes on the income from assets outside that country. Though the technical details may appear complicated the scheme is, in fact, quite simple (writes *The Observer*). The outside accounting assets of the company, or the whole, are being taken over by a new company, the Canadian Eagle Oil Company, registered in Toronto, Canada. The present Mexican shares are reduced in nominal value by six-tenths—*i.e.*, from 10 pesos to 4 pesos, and shareholders are to receive corresponding shares in the Canadian company as against this reduction in capital. Shareholders will thus have exactly the same interest in the total assets as they had before.

The two companies have mutually guaranteed each other's sinking fund and preference dividend obligations, and the provision that should one company have a profit and the other a debit balance, the one with the profit shall hold in reserve an amount equal to the other's debit. This leaves shareholders in exactly their present position. That is to say, any losses on the "inside assets" will be set off against profits on the other assets, or *vice versa*.

It must be realised, however, that should both companies make profits, or should one make a large profit against the other's loss there is the possibility of receiving widely differing returns on the shares of the two companies, too, the interest upon which is unequal, as shareholders have the option of exchanging their remaining Mexican interest for Canadian shares if they so desire. It does not affect the First Preference shareholder to any extent, as these shares bear a fixed cumulative dividend, but in the case of the Participating Preference and Common shares the exercising or not of this option might have considerable effect on a shareholder's future income.

It has always been recognised that the Mexican Eagle Company is under the control of the Royal Dutch-Shell combination, since the entire assets are sold through the Anglo-Mexican Petroleum Company, which is one of that group. In addition, the Venezuelan Oil Concessions, with which the company has a large contract for refining oil, is under Royal Dutch-Shell control. Of the nineteen directors of the Mexican, four are Royal Dutch-Shell directors also. On the new Canadian board, however, numbering thirteen, the Royal Dutch-Shell directors are in a majority of eight to five. These include Sir Henri Deterding, who is president of the new company, and Sir Robert Waley Cohen.

As far as is known, the Royal Dutch-Shell have no great interests in Canada at present, and though the registration of the company in that country may have been largely a matter of convenience and economy in duties, the fact that this great group has now a definite headquarters in Canada is certainly of interest.

That the Canadian company will have plenty of funds at its disposal is obvious from the fact that among the assets it is taking over are 5,994,621 dollars, or well over £1,000,000 sterling in British Government securities and cash.

Mexican Eagle shares, still in their old form, have been an excited market during the past week and closed at 23s. 7½d.

NIGERIAN TIN COMBINE.

KEFFI ABSORBED BY THE ASSOCIATED.

Big amalgamations are being arranged in the Nigerian Tin Fields in which the Anglo-Oriental group is playing an important part. Shareholders of the Keffi Consolidated Tin Company and the Rayfield (Nigeria) Tin Fields have been informed that meetings will be held on March 12 for the purpose of considering a scheme of amalgamation with the Associated Tin Mines of Nigeria. The meetings of these two companies will be followed by other meetings of companies in the Keffi group which it is proposed should form part of the scheme of amalgamation with the Associated Company now in contemplation. Shareholders of Keffi Consolidated Tin will receive three shares of 5s. each in the Associated Company for every eleven shares held and the payment of a dividend of 12½ per cent. Preference shareholders in the Rayfield (Nigeria) Tin Fields will receive seven shares in the Associated Company for every six in Rayfield Associated Company for every six Preference shares held and the payment of a Preference dividend of 10 per cent. Ordinary shareholders in Rayfield will receive one share in the Associated Company for every three Ordinary shares held. The Associated shares to be issued will rank *pari passu* in all respects with the existing shares of that company.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORTS.

SATURDAY.

Barometer at 1 p.m.—29.90.

Foreign Arrival—Ss. Artigas, of Philadelphia, 3,144 tons register, Captain Martins, from Baltimore and New York, via Glasgow and Belfast, with general cargo; discharging at Transit Sheds, Alexandra Basin.

Coastwise Arrivals—Ss. Lady Limerick, from Liverpool, with passengers and goods; ss. Lady Clare, from London, with passengers and goods; ss. Slieve Gallion, ss. Slievemore, from Holyhead, with goods; motor vessel Elizabeth Ellen Fisher, from New Ross, with malt; ss. Charcoalin, from Liverpool, with empties; ss. Cheviot, ss. Downshire, from Glasgow, coals; ss. Mayflower, ss. Aquilla, ss. Glen Helen, ss. Fermanagh, ss. Mary Summerfield, from Garston, with coals; ss. Ina, from Whitehaven, with coals; ss. Olive, ss. Olivine, ss. Gem, from Newport, with coals; ss. Fawn, from Ardglass, light.

SUNDAY.

Barometer at 3 p.m.—30.

Foreign Arrival—Ss. Queen Talita, of Dublin, 2,889 tons register, Captain Inskip, from Honfleet (Havre), with a cargo of gas oil; discharged at Sir John Rogerson's quay, and proceeded to Liverpool with part cargo.

Coastwise Arrivals—Ss. Lady Longford, from Liverpool, with passengers and goods; ss. Prince, from Glasgow, with passengers and goods; ss. Olive, from Heysham, with passengers and goods; ss. Tarrow, from Silloth, with passengers and goods; ss. Lady Brussels, from Liverpool, with goods; ss. Patricia, from Cardiff, with goods; ss. Saint Fintan, from Partington, with coals; ss. Saint Mungo, ss. Sarah Brough, from Glasgow, with coals; ss. Elmfield, from Ayr, with coals; ss. Prase, from Troon, with coals; ss. Alba, from Newport, with coals; ss. H.R.B., from Avonmouth, with fuel oil; ss. Briarfield, from Barrow, with steel rails; Mary Ann, from Wexford, with malt.

THE WHITE STAR LINE.

The White Star steamer Baltic, from Liverpool, arrived at Queenstown at 1.30 p.m., embarked mails and passengers, and left for New York at 3.12 p.m. on Sunday.

MANCHESTER MARKETS.

(FROM OUR COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

With, perhaps, the exception of eggs, a firm tone is reported in other branches of the provision trade. At the time of writing the position of bacon may be regarded as satisfactory, and, although no official change was recorded in Danish at the weekly meeting of the Bacon Committee, Irish was advanced 2s. to 3s., and Dutch and Swedish 1s. per cwt. Irish cures are in small compass, and sellers generally show no great anxiety to press for business. According to a preliminary summing up of pig killings at the co-operative factories in Denmark during 1927 the figure has been returned at 4,200,000 animals. Adding the killings at the proprietory factories, which are calculated at about 800,000, the total will reach the round figure of 5,000,000 pigs. Thus the average number of export pigs killed daily in Denmark will be about 14,000. Available supplies of butter continue limited, and it is stated that the large arrivals of Colonial are being absorbed without much difficulty. Danish arrivals have cleared readily, and Copenhagen has advanced her official quotation by 15 kroner, and "top" now stands at 335 kroner per 100 kilos, but at the corresponding week of last year the figure was 312 kroner. The quantity of butter on passage from the Antipodes continues large, and, although shipments of Australian and New Zealand are in excess of 1927, smaller quantities were exported from the Argentine. According to official returns, Canada appears to be operating fairly freely in the New Zealand butter market, but no Siberian has as yet been shipped in that country for some time. With reference to our report of last week in relation to the rumours regarding the dry spell of weather in New Zealand, the High Commissioner for New Zealand (Sir James Parr) is now in receipt of a cablegram advising that unusually dry weather was experienced in January, and has continued into the month, and that as a consequence the output of butter and cheese for the balance of the present season will probably show a shrinkage of from 12 to 15 per cent. This will have its effect on the arrivals of dairy produce in the later part of the season, and, coming as it does after the bright promise of the spring and early summer, is very unfortunate. The bulk of the eggs now on this market have been shipped from Ireland, and low prices are now being made. The usual seasonal decline was very late in coming, but, with production now rapidly increasing, something like a slump has taken place.

The spot firm tone was reported at Salford Cattle Market on Tuesday. There was again an absence of Irish cattle, but restrictions have been removed to a certain extent, and the animals may now be licensed through for slaughter within a certain period. The foregoing remarks apply to the Manchester Pig market, where, although a slow trade was experienced, prices remained steady. At the Manchester Dead Meat Market most classes of home-killed beef, mutton and lamb were dearer, but no change was recorded in pork. There was also a firm tone to note in all classes of imported meat.

Dead poultry remains firm for best quality birds. Arrivals of salmon continue equal to the demand, large Irish being quoted 2s. 4d. and small 2s. 6d. per lb.

EXPORTS FROM THE PORT OF DUBLIN.

The shipments of porter from Dublin, as officially returned, for the period 23rd to 29th February, 1928, inclusive, were 32,154 standard barrels of 36 gallons, as against 17,354 barrels for previous week. For corresponding week of first-named period last year the shipments of porter were approximately 27,724 barrels standard measure.

The shipments of plain Irish Free State spirits from Dublin for period 23rd to 29th February, 1928, are officially returned as 332 proof gallons, against 4,147 gallons in previous week and approximately 1,780 gallons for first-named period of 1927.

LIVERPOOL MEAT IMPORTS.

During the past week four steamers landed fresh meat at Liverpool from the various North and South American and Canadian ports, with freights as follows:—£1 Paraguan from the River Plate, with 30,998 sheep and lamb carcases, 600 cases of pork, 189 sides of veal, 6,411 bags, etc., of meat, and 37,320 quarters of beef; the Melita, from St. John, with 2,413 boxes, etc., of meat; the Regina, from New York, with 527 boxes of pork and 2,533 boxes, etc., of meat; and the Caronia, from New York, with 1,050 boxes of pork and 716 boxes, etc., of meat. The totals amounted to 30,998 sheep and lamb carcases, 2,627 boxes, etc., of pork; 189 sides of veal, 12,073 bags, etc., of meat, and 37,320 quarters of beef. Compared with the arrivals of the preceding week, these figures show an increase of 15,760 sheep and lamb carcases, 2,627 boxes of pork, 189 sides of veal, and 9,583 boxes, etc., of meat; and a decrease of 36,131 quarters of beef.

DUBLIN S.P.C.A.

At the weekly meeting of the Committee of the Royal Dublin Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (incorporated) Mr. H. Quayle presided, and there were present:—Miss Hillas, Mrs. Power O'Donoghue, Miss Tuckey, Colonel V. Campbell, Mr. S. Roberts.

Nine cases and three convictions were reported. The following subscriptions were received:—A. McFetridge, £2; Gosford, 10/-; Mrs. M. L. Craig, £2; Miss C. R. Bell, 5/-; Miss Pearce, 5/-; Senator S. L. Browne, £2; Lieutenant-Colonel W. R. Roberts, £2; Miss Longfield, 10/-; Miss R. Longfield, 10/-; R. St. G. Lefroy, £1. Bequest—Miss James £30.

DROP IN FLAX PRICES.

In Omagh market last Saturday flax prices dropped from 1s. to 1s. 6d. per st. There were ten tons in the market, the top price being 16s. per st. and medium qualities from 14s. to 15s. 9d. The demand was dull.

TROPICAL PRODUCE MARKET FIRM.

FROM OUR COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENT.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday.

Tropical produce has, on the whole, shown a much bolder front this week, though some of the commodities continue to hang fire, shippers being difficult to interest at the existing market levels. Palm oil has met with more inquiry, and quite a steady business has been put through in softs, mediums and hards, the first-named in all positions, and the others mainly forward. Home consumers have been interested in softs, but sellers are not over anxious, and refuse less than £35 5s. for spot material, with March-April advanced to £35 2s. 6d., as against £32 15s. at the opening of the week. Lagos spot and afloat has been done at £34, at which level there are sellers of February-March shipment material. Low F.F.A. on the spot holds firm at £33 2s. 6d., with February-March offered at 2s. 6d. less. Mediums changed hands freely at £32 15s. for March-April and April-May, and at the close dealers advanced values 5s. For oil afloat £32 15s. and £32 17s. 6d. have been paid, while hards winds up dearer, £33 10s. being wanted for March-April and April-May shipment, after £33 5s. had been accepted. In Sherbros, March-April and April-May shipment prove unattractive at £33 10s. Spot quotations are as follows:—Lagos, £34 5s.; Sherbros, £34 5s.; Opobo, £33 2s. 6d.; Benin, £33 5s.; and Niger £33 5s.

DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT.

REVOLVER IN PARCEL.

DETECTIVES' SURPRISE FOR DUBLIN WOMAN.

(BEFORE MR. CUSSEN.)

Eileen Barry (28), Fleet street, and Bridie Clyne (24), Ely place, were charged in custody with the illegal possession of a .45 revolver.

Detective-Sergeant Byrne stated that between 9 and 10 o'clock last Friday night, accompanied by Detective Keelan, he visited the house in Ely place where the prisoner Clyne lived, and waited there until the two prisoners came in. When they were half-way up the stairs he stopped them and asked Miss Barry what she had in the brown parcel which she carried. He took the parcel from her and found in it a .45 revolver wrapped in an ordinary glass cloth. The weapon was in perfect working order. The women were arrested and taken to College Station, where Miss Barry said that she accepted full responsibility for the revolver.

The Justice remarked that there was no evidence against the prisoner Clyne, and he dismissed the charge against her.

When asked had she any question to put to the witness, the prisoner Barry replied that she refused to recognise the Court.

Mr. Cussen asked whether any of her friends were in Court, and Sergeant Byrne replied that her people were all in Hacketstown, Co. Carlow.

The Justice imposed a fine of £3, or a month's imprisonment, without hard labour.

The prisoner said that she would not pay any fine, and she was removed to the cells. Half an hour later, however, the fine was paid, and she was released from custody.

TUSSLE WITH POLICE.

TWELVE WOMEN STREET TRADERS CHARGED.

Twelve women street traders, who had been arrested in South Great George's street during the morning, appeared in the dock, charged by Superintendent O'Gorman, Civic Guard, with breaches of the Street Trading Act by carrying on stall trading in that thoroughfare, which is a prohibited area. They were defended by Mr. J. J. Devlin (instructed by Mr. P. Campbell).

The Superintendent explained to the Justice that four of the defendants were also charged with riotous and disorderly behaviour and with assaulting members of the Guard.

All the defendants were remanded on bail to this morning.

One of them, a young girl, asked the Justice whether she could have back her shoe, which the police had seized. The shoe, which, it was alleged, had been used by the girl as an instrument of assault on the police, was handed back to the owner, who up to that had only one shoe on.

WOMAN AND NURSING BABY.

KEPT IN CELL ALL NIGHT.

Mary Behan, of Water street, Waterford, a young married woman, with baby in arms, was charged with uttering a forged Army draft for £3 5s. in respect of dependents' allowance. She had been arrested in Waterford on Friday and taken to Dublin, where she was kept in the Bridewell, with her infant, during the night.

Mr. Cussen said that a young woman with a nursing baby should not have been confined in the Bridewell all night.

He had arranged, he explained, for the convenience of the inhabitants of Dublin, that station sergeants at any hour could ring him up on the telephone when they had a doubt as to bail. The majority of them exercised that privilege, with the result that many persons had been admitted to bail during the last eighteen months instead of having been kept in custody in the Bridewell cells. The cells, though clean, were not, of course, suitable for the confinement in custody of a young woman nursing a baby. This young woman's husband was in the city, and yet no one let her baby were put in the Bridewell. He could not understand why the station sergeant did not ring him up on Friday night.

The defendant was remanded on her husband's bail.

Detective-Sergeant Doody and Detective Glynn had charge of the case.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.

CORK CONSPIRACY TRIAL

JURY DISAGREE.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE O'BYRNE AND A JURY.)

For the third day in succession Wolie Jackson and his son Joseph appeared in the dock in Green street Courthouse, Dublin, last Saturday, the charge against them being, as alleged, that they conspired together to obtain from the Free State Ministry of Finance, by fraud, a sum of £5,400, the alleged fraud being that they put an extravagant value upon the goods that were destroyed, and that they claimed for property which the place did not contain. Their marine store in Cork street, Cork, was burned down in August, 1922. They first claimed £8,500 as compensation, and when the case was heard by the late Recorder of Cork he estimated the loss at £4,150. The Minister appealed from that award, and the Circuit Judge subsequently reduced the figure to £2,000 odd.

INCREASED INSURANCE.

Last Saturday Joseph Jackson was examined in his own defence. He stated that he had bought large quantities of "scrap" iron from time to time from the shipyards, the breweries and distilleries. He bought hardware in Germany and elsewhere considerably cheaper than he intended, and having that large quantity on hand he increased his insurance. It was he who prepared the figures in the claim, and he believed that he had undervalued the articles that were destroyed. If he were making out the claim again he would make it for a larger amount, because in the first instance certain items were forgotten.

Mr. O'Connor, K.C.—You are charged with having conspired with your father to defraud the State by making a claim which was part bogus and part exaggerated. Have you ever so conspired?

The Witness—No.

THE FIRE.

Wolfe Jackson, the senior prisoner, was examined. He stated that he had been in Cork for about forty-eight years, and at first was in the drapery trade. At the time of the fire in Copley street the store was so full of goods that one could get into it only by a narrow passage. The fire lasted for three days.

Isaac Morgins, marine store dealer, in his evidence stated that Wolfe was the largest dealer of his kind in the South of Ireland, and that he had a large quantity of goods of various kinds in his store when he saw it three or four weeks before the fire.

Mr. Justice O'Byrne in his charge to the jury said that putting an exaggerated price on goods that were destroyed was not fraudulent, but claiming compensation for goods that were not in the place was an offence for which the prisoners should be convicted.

JURY DISCHARGED.

The jury retired to consider their verdict at 9.40, and when they returned into court at 10.45 p.m. they told the judge that they were not able to arrive at an unanimous verdict.

The jury were discharged, the judge remarking that the case was a somewhat difficult one.

Mr. Carrigan, K.C., and Mr. Bewley, K.C., conducted the case for the prosecution. Mr. Joseph O'Connor, K.C.; Mr. J. F. Rearden, K.C., and Mr. Gearoid O'Sullivan (instructed by Mr. W. Dorgan, Cork, and Messrs. James O'Connor, Dublin), appeared for the prisoners.

DUBLIN'S HOUSING PROBLEM.

A RECTOR'S EXPERIENCES.

The Rev. D. H. Hall, Rector of the Parish of St. Thomas and St. Barnabas, referred to the housing problem in Dublin in the course of his sermon in the Magdalen Church, Dublin, yesterday morning.

What he had experienced among the poor he told his congregation in the most forcible language, and he went on to contrast the housing conditions which he had witnessed with the happier conditions under which some of the tenement dwellers previously had lived, and emphasised the relief which personal effort could bring.

The preacher spoke of what already had been done in the Parish of St. Barnabas and finished he done, and asked was there a that there of life for any young man than voted to the work of the ministry and to reconstruction of life in a better and noble way.

BROADCASTING.

TO-DAY

DUBLIN (2RN)—319.1 Metres.

1.30-2.0 p.m.—Weather Forecast and Gramophone Concert. 6.0—Gramophone Concert. 6.15—Dair i dTir na n-Og, Maire Ni Ghuairim, W. Scott Coomber, Louis Fleiney. 7.0—Gramophone Concert. 7.30—Gaedhilg, Sile Ni Dhubhghain. 7.45—Talk, Poultry Keeping, Miss Hennerty, N.D.P. 8.0—Leinster School of Music, Vocal and Instrumental Offerings. S. R. Symons (tenor), "Droighnol, Young Lover" (Handel), "Why Shouldn't I?" (K. Russell); Llewelyn Williams (violin solo), Adaggio and Minuet (Graziolli); Olive Meyler (songs), "The Shepherdess" (McMurrough), "I know where I'm Going" (H. Hughes), "I'd be a Butterfly" (H. Bayly, arr. F. Woodson); Eia Leon and Geraldine Wadding, two pianos, March Heroique" (Saint Saens); Nellis Murray (songs), "Birds in the Night" (Sullivan). 8.50—T. W. Hall (baritone)—"On the Waters" (Schubert), "Homeward" (M. Hartz), "Fairings" (H. Mortin). "The Pilgrim of the Eaale" (arr. Stanford), "O'Donnell's March (arr. Stanford). 9.45—Station Orchestra. Overture. "Guy Mannering" (Scotch). (Bishop); intermezzo, "Irish Dances" (Ansell); suite, "Fete Villageoise" (Britoli) (Pontbonne). 9.15—Dublin Repertory Society. "The Last Mag Lir" (W. B. Maxwell). A play in one act. Mrs. Judd, Sicily Allen; Mr. Judd, Joseph Duffy; Mr. Billett, Patrick Henry; A Customer, George Grey; Another Customer, J. L. McCann; The Doctor, Herbert Jones; The Last Man In, James J. Henry. Scene—The parlour of a humble tavern in a poor street of a country town. Time—The present. 9.45—Josephine Curran (soprano)—"Floods of Tears" (Somervell), "Come Away" (E. Keel) "My Sweet Sweeting" (F. Keel) "A Good Child" (Quilter), "The Lamplighter" (Quilter). 10.0—Traditional Trio. 10.30—Weather Forecast and close down.

BELFAST (2BE)—306.1 Metres (980 Kc.).

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LONDON (2LO)—361.3 Metres (830 Kc.) and DAVENTRY (5XX)—1,554.3 Metres (187 Kc.).

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CARDIFF (5WA)—353 Metres (850 Kc.).

3.30—Broadcast to Schools. 3.0—Station Orchestra. Glyn Hopkins (tenor), Hubert Pengelly (pianoforte). 4.45—Ifan Kyrle Fletcher: "Modern Anglo-Saxonic Poets—Wilfred Owen." 5.0—Orchestra. 5.15—Children. 6.0—From London. 9.35—Tample Bells, Station Orchestra, Dorothy Bennett (soprano). 10.45-11.0—Will May (entertainer).

MANCHESTER (2ZY)—384.8 Metres. (780 Kc.)

12.0-1.0—Gramophone Records. 2.30—London Programme. 3.0—Broadcast to Schools. 3.20—Orchestra. 4.0—A Concert by Present Students of the Royal Manchester College of Music: Prof. Arnold D. Thorburn Clark: "The Romance of Tobacco—III. Smoking." 5.15—Children. 6.0—From London. 9.35-11.0—Town and Country: Mr. Frank Prosser: of Moods, interpreted by Mr. Percy Scholes: Town, a Reading from "The Londoner" (Charles Gamble); Augmented Station Orchestra; Vivienne Chatterton (soprano); Country, a Reading from "The Vagabond" (Robert Louis Stevenson), Ashmoor Burch (baritone), Orchestra.

LIVERPOOL (6LV)—297 Metres. (1,010 Kc.).

4.0—Dance Band. 5.0—David Wray: "The Dance." 5.15—Children. 6.0—From London. 9.35—From Manchester.

BOURNEMOUTH (6BM)—326.1 Metres. (920 Kc.).

12.0-1.0—Gramophone Records. 2.30—London Programme. 4.0—Music. 5.0—London Programme. 5.15—Children. 6.0—From London. 9.35-11.0—From Manchester.

NEWCASTLE (5NO)—312.5 Metres. (960 Kc.)

2.30—Broadcast to Schools. 5.0—London Programme. 5.15—Children. 6.0—Viola Recital by Rosina Wall. 6.30—From London. 9.35—The Wallsend Male Voice Choir: "All Square," by Stanley Wilson and Bryan; "The Healing Herb," a Tyneside Comedy by E. A. Bryan.

GLASGOW (5SC)—405.4 Metres (740 Kc.)

11.0-12.0—Gramophone Records. 3.15—Dance Music. 4.0—Wireless Quintet. Anthony Collins (viola). 5.0—Shiela Stuart: "On Choosing a Career." 5.15—Children. 5.50—Weather Map for Farmers. 6.0—Grace Angus (soprano). 6.30—From London. 8.45—From Dundee. 7.0—From London. 7.45—Ballads and Ballet Music. Station Orchestra, Allo Moxon (soprano), Parry Jones (tenor). 9.0—From London. 9.30—Calendar of Great Scots: Flora Macdonald. 9.35—From Aberdeen. 11.0-11.10—From Edinburgh.

TO-MORROW.

DUBLIN (2RN)—319.1 Metres.

1.30-2.0 p.m.—Weather Forecast and Gramophone Concert. 6.0—Gramophone Concert. 6.15—Dair i dTir na n-Og: Dr. Walter Starkie, Patrick Kirwan and Blanche Mercer: Aire Ceoil i gcomhair an Fhainne, "Ceol Gaodhalach", Micheal O Siochfhradha. 7.45—Spanish: Dr. W. Starkie. 8.0—Augmented Station Orchestra, from Repertoire. 8.30—S. I. Spratt and F. Mills Forsyth, Duets: "Silent O Moyle," "Avenging and Bright" "Lay of the Last Minstrel," "Two Daughters" (Purcell), "Five Eyes" (A. Gibbs), "Sylvia" (Schubert), "I know a bank" (M. Shaw), "Beauty and Truth" (C. Taylor). "The Little Dustman (Brahms). 8.45—Cormac Mac Fhionnlaoich, Traditional Fiddle: Two Marches, Air, "Cuhirdreen." Air, "Billy Byrne of Ballymanus." "An Beinnsin Luachra" (S. de Chlannidiuin). "Cois Abha Moire na nDeise" (M. Ni Annagrain) Two Reropipes. 9.0—H. O'Donovan and Company: "Aerial Revellers" Revue. 10.0—Mary Mansbeldt (soprano)—"Love is a Sickness" (A. Gibbs), "Where'er a snowdrift leaves the sky" (L. Lehmann), "The merriant bees of Skreen" (arr. Hughes). 10.10—Augmented Station Orchestra: Variety Offerings. 10.30—Weather Forecast.

DAVENTRY EXPERIMENTAL (5GB)—491.8 Metres (610 Kc).

3.0—Paul Moulder's Rivoli Theatre Orchestra. 4.0—From Birmingham. Military Band, Beatrice Robson (soprano), Leonard Needham (pianoforte). 5.45—Children. 6.30—Greenwich Time, Weather and News. 6.45—London Radio Dance Band. Bill Gardner (entertainer), Yvette Darnac (French and English songs). 8.0—The St. Stephen's Silver Band. Alexander McCrelle (tenor) (from Newcastle). 9.0—Variety (from Birmingham). Gladys Ward (recitals), Cuthbert Smith (baritone), Daisy Kennedy (violin). 10.0—Weather and News Bulletin. 10.15-11.15—"The Tinker's Wedding," by J. M. Synge. Clare Harris, Charles Maunsell, Ernest Digges, Joyce Tremayne. Produced by Howard Rose.

THIS WEEK'S AUCTIONS OF FURNITURE AND FINE ARTS.

MONDAY.

9 and 10 Bachelor's Walk (James Hill and Son); "Sorrento," Adelaide road, Bray (P. J. Byrne and Sons, Bray); 20 Crosthwaite Park, E., Dun Laoghaire (Talbot Coall and Son).

TUESDAY.

4 Clifton terrace, Monkstown (North and Co.); 7 Sunbury Gardens, Rathmines (Hanley and Co.).

WEDNESDAY.

"Stella Maris," 9 Summerhill road, Dun Laoghaire (John Thornton and Co.); 97 Anglesea road, Donnybrook (Bennett and Son); 28 Pearse street (W. J. Holden and Son); 32 Elgin road (Dockrell Ltd.); 4 Clifton terrace, Monkstown (North and Co.); 1 George's quay (A. J. Keogh).

THURSDAY.

20 Mountainview road, Ranelagh (Corrigan and Co.); Great Freffans, Trim (Patrick Smith and Son, Navan); Shamrock Lodge, Dunleer, Co. Louth (J. C. Morgan, Dunleer); "The Palace Hotel," 18 Gardiner's place (P. J. Byrne, Parliament street); 19 Stephen's Green, North (James Adam and Sons).

FRIDAY.

"Cora Linn," Dartry road (Battersby and Co.); 19 Stephen's Green, North (James Adam and Sons).

GAELIC GAMES.

LEINSTER COUNCIL CONVENTION.

608 CLUBS AFFILIATED.

Mr. R. O'Keeffe (Leix), outgoing President, in welcoming sixty-seven delegates from twelve counties of Leinster, at Croke Park yesterday, drew attention to the evidence of their Secretary's report that they had 608 affiliated clubs in the province, representing a man-power of 60,000. He pointed out the activities of other associations, and the necessity of intensive organisation.

He frequently charged with being intolerant and bigoted, he continued "we are neither. We have no objection to other games as games, but I believe the spirit behind them influences young minds adversely from a national view-point."

Mr. O'Keeffe was unanimously re-elected.

Mr. E. Fleming, who was nominated for the Presidency by Wicklow, in withdrawing, paid a tribute to Mr. O'Keeffe's ability, but believed that the rule of the Central body limiting the term of office should be extended to Provincial Councils. Mr. Martin O'Neill was unopposed for Secretaryship. The success of his year of office and his organising ability were referred to by delegates.

On a vote, Messrs. Lalor (Kildare), Walsh (Kilkenny) and Cloonan (Offaly) were elected as Leinster's representatives on the Central Council for the ensuing year.

The balance sheet for the past year showed an income of £5,115 and an expenditure of £5,475. Adverse weather during the playing season of 1927 affected the gate receipts; but the feeling of the meeting was in favour of bringing next year's expenditure well inside the anticipated receipts.

Mr. John Ryan, Chairman of the Dublin County Committee, was named as Central Council representative. He pointed out that, at several county conventions he had been nominated for the position of President of the G.A.A. He had decided to go forward as candidate in that capacity, in deference to the wishes of his many supporters, promising his best efforts in the interest of the Association.

Motions referring to the G.A.A. attitude towards athletic control and "this Irish language interest," were referred to Congress at Easter. The other motions were not subjects of serious debate, and a draft scheme for the promotion of Minor Championships was approved.

At a subsequent meeting of the Council the senior draws were made for 1928 Championships:—

Football.—South v. Dublin (Navan), May 20th; Wexford v. Kilkenny (New Ross), May 27th; Meath v. Longford (Mullingar), April 24th; Leix v. Kildare (Athy), May 20th.

Hurling.—Kilkenny v. Dublin (Porthoghaise), 13th May; Wexford v. Leix (Kilkenny), 6th May; Meath v. Offaly (Croke Park), 27th May.

The Leinster team to play in the Railway Cup final was selected:—Walsh (goal), McLoughlin (capt.), Goff, Higgins, Mahon, Doyle, Martin (Kildare), Russell, McDonnell (Dublin), Walsh, O'Neill (Wexford), Brady, McKowen (Louth), Keoghan (Meath), Bates (Leix).

COLLEGE FOOTBALL.

At Croke Park on Saturday Glasnevin and Belcamp Colleges met in the Dublin final. The football reached a high standard. Belcamp led from the thrown-in, scoring a goal and a point early. Glasnevin put up a strong opposition. They were stronger individually, but their combination was faulty in front of goal. Considering their brief time together they, however, showed much promise. Curtin, on Belcamp's right wing, led up to many of their scores, and their combination and accuracy triumphed. The winners meet St. Mel's, Longford, in the Leinster final next Saturday. Result:—

Belcamp—1 goal 6 points.
Glasnevin—3 points.

DUBLIN SENIOR LEAGUE.

O'Toole's and O'Dwyer's met yesterday in the first round of the Dublin League. P. McDonnell and P. Carey stood down from O'Tooles, but the teams were well matched. The city forwards opened brightly; Peter Synnott punched a goal through, and Grace and he added points before O'Toole scored Balbriggan's first point from a free. Moore, from Knight's cross, added another before half-time.

Grace and O'Brien put O'Tooles further ahead on turning over, but O'Dwyers stayed on splendidly. Corry, Corcoran, Farrell, and Bissett played good football, and when the North County men attacked resolutely it took all John McDonnell's cleverness in goal to keep his charge safe. He saved two splendid efforts shot from Corry and O'Toole. The finish was exciting, with O'Dwyers having the best of close exchanges. Result:—

O'Tooles—1 goal 3 points.
O'Dwyers—3 points.

The match between the Guards and Dolphins was another close affair; for though the Guards opened better, Dolphins finished with great determination. Meehan, Carroll, O'Reilly, and Byrne were the principal scorers for Dolphins. For the Guards, Russell was always prominent. From midfield he dribbled through for many scores. Flynn found the posts cleverly on three occasions. Sherlock and O'Toole, with Kelly and Kenny, played well. Result:—

Guards—3 goals 4 points (10).
Dolphins—1 goal 6 points (9).

MEDAL TOURNAMENT AT MARYBOROUGH.

A large attendance witnessed good football and excellent hurling at the Medal Tournament held in aid of Leix Camogie Club at Maryborough, yesterday. In football, Kildare was represented by a Round Towers selection and Leix by a Strathsilly selection. The Round Towers had a strong pick to meet the home team in hurling.

In the football match, which came first, Kildare had somewhat the better of it in the interval, but the scoring was even, the visitors being a point to the good at half-time.

Kildare had the better of the play in the second half, and won on the score:—

Kildare—1 goal 6 points.
Leix—4 points.

In the hurling the play was fast and good, at half-time the score stood at 1 goal 3 points to Dublin nil. It was an exciting second half. Faughs played up finely and made a draw of it at 1 goal and 4 points each.

APPEAL FROM TAXING MASTER.

IMPORTANT POINT OF PROCEDURE.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE SULLIVAN.)

On Friday an important point of procedure arose on the hearing of a summary summons by which the plaintiff, D. H. Charles, solicitor, sought to have the taxation of a bill of solicitor and client costs reviewed by the Court and certain items allowed which had been disallowed by the Taxing Master.

Mr. Nolan-Whelan (instructed by Mr. D. H. Charles), for the plaintiff, submitted that under Rule 2 of Order I of the Rules of the High Court all civil proceedings in the High Court other than matters hereinafter commenced by petition must be instituted by originating summons, and that the form of originating summons in this case should be summary. Counsel submitted that this being a bill of costs between solicitor and client and not previously before the High Court, a summary summons was necessary to bring the matter before his lordship.

Mr. L. A. Dickie, K.C., with whom was Mr. G. L. Howe (instructed by Messrs. McHenry and Maguire), for the defendant, argued that the procedure by summary summons was wrong, and should have been by notice of motion. Order 65, Rule 54, of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland), 1905, gave the Taxing Master power to tax costs between solicitor and client on the application of the client. Order 65, Rule 66, laid down the procedure to review the taxation, either by motion to the Court or summons at Chambers. Counsel submitted that, since a summons at Chambers no longer existed, the only procedure remaining was the notice of motion, and which was incorporated in Order 28, Rule 4, of the High Court Rules.

Counsel further submitted that the matter was already before the High Court by the summons to tax having been issued.

His Lordship, holding that the summons to tax had already brought the matter into the High Court, dismissed the summons summons issued by the plaintiff, and reserved the costs of the defendant.

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ASSOCIATION.

AN UNEVENTFUL GAME

SHELBOURNE DEFEAT BRIDEVILLE 2-0.

Shelbourne again defeated Brideville at Shelbourne Park in the Free State Shield last Saturday by two clear goals. It was a most uneventful game. Shelbourne were without Walsh, McElvenny, McMillan and Lacey, but the inclusion of Kinsella and McClery in the forwards and Foley at right half-back made for an improvement in the team.

Though the Shelbourne forwards were unsuccessful in the goal area, they kept the Brideville backs on the defence for the greater part of the game. The work of Foley and Burns at half-back was a feature. Had the forwards responded with the same zeal the score could have been much larger. With more limited chances, Brideville's combination and placing produced good football, but, like their opponents, they finished weakly. Walters was inclined to hold on, and so spoiled the efforts of the inside forwards. Coyne and Keegan usually held the Shelbourne attack, but it was the fine defence of Lennox and Bermingham at full back which was responsible for the smallness of Shelbourne's score.

Shelbourne had the better of the opening play, and after a couple of minutes, Robinson almost beat Gamblin with a fast drive, while shortly after Warth Clarke headed in a good right centre, which the Brideville goalkeeper dropped, but recovered smartly. Thirty minutes after the start Kinsella, jumping to a high centre of Grimes's beat Gamblin for the lead, and before the interval the same player added the second from a penalty for hands.

The second period, though the play was faster, was hardly more interesting. Both goals were subjected to pressure, Gamblin being more of less lucky to avoid defeat again.

Shelbourne—Pidgeon, Kavanagh, Byrne, Foley, Burns, Kenny, Griffith, Robinson, Kinsella, McClery, Clarke.

Brideville—Gamblin, Lennox, Bermingham, Fox, Coyne, Keegan, Walters, Whelan, Brooke, Kavanagh, Blackford.

A TWO GOALS VICTORY FOR ROVERS.

ST. JAMES'S GATE FORWARDS DISAPPOINT.

Shamrock Rovers continued their run of success by taking full points at St. James's Park yesterday. The game was never of more than ordinary interest, and was spoiled by incessant rain.

For twenty minutes the play was strenuous and keen, but from that to the end Rovers had the home team's measure, and were content to hold their two goals lead. Rovers' forward superiority was not in their favour. The whole line kept it together, and would have scored more goals had they not been opposed by such an excellent defence. There was, however, a tendency by the Rovers' forwards to manoeuvre and pass when they might have shot with success.

St. James's Gate forwards were disappointing. They failed to blend, lacked speed, and there was not a marksman in the five. Many opportunities came their way, for three were well served by their efficient half-backs. Fitzsimons was in vain. McKay, Heaney, and Behan were kept at full stretch all through. They were set a difficult task to hold the Rovers' attack, and the forward failure put additional labour on them. It was remarkable how they stayed it out.

Flood attracted attention on his first appearance in Rovers' forward line on transfer from Crystal Palace. He was an active forward, and centred well, but entered through a weak partnership with Campbell. The latter's passes always were too far forward, and mainly at an opposing defender. Luke was given little scope, and the greasy pitch did not help him. Towards the end of the second moiety Dundalk Centre, sent in a good shot, which the goalkeeper only partially cleared, and Carroll, close in, put the ball into the net, from a rebound, but made a strong effort to equalise, but Sloane failed when well placed, and Byrne's shot was well saved by Bradley. Before the interval Carroll headed another goal for his side.

On resuming Dundalk again attacked, and McCabe came into prominence early when he saved a drive from Barrett from outside the penalty area. Carroll took a pass from Kane, and shot, past clean of the goalkeeper. The home side did all the pressing afterwards, and Carroll got his fourth goal.

LEINSTER LEAGUE POINTS DIVIDED.

At Richmond road yesterday, B.S.L. and Richmond Rovers divided the points, the score being 1-1.

Both goals were scored late in the second half, from corners, the scorers being Doyle for B.S.L. with a shot that gave O'Reilly no chance, and Ledwidge for Rovers, with a well-timed header.

It was a stern game throughout, the play for most of the time being very evenly distributed. Towards the end, however, the visitors went all out for victory, but their forwards found O'Reilly hard to beat.

The B.S.L. forwards displayed better combination than the Rovers' quartette, but the Rovers' backs were steadier and repeatedly frustrated attacks. Synott was the only dangerous forward on the Rovers' side, but he held on too long to the ball at times, and was frequently dispossessed after working well. Had Hand been in his usual place at centre forward the Rovers might have won, but the final score gives a good indication of the run of the play.

With a quarter of an hour to go the visitors gave a glimpse of their abilities. They forwards well filled with the ball be the half-backs played good football. They forced a couple of corners, from one of which their efforts were rewarded, Doyle scoring, as stated. From the centre field Rovers broke away, and, with only minutes to go, they forced a corner, and Ledwidge got the equaliser.

B.S.L.—McCormack; Nanlon, Brown; Kelly, Hennessy, Giles; Birch, O'Neill, Doyle, McGrath, Wallace.

Richmond Rovers—O'Reilly; Dunne, Gilmoley; Hand, J. Synott, Ledwidge, Carroll, P. Thomas, Ledwidge, Edgeworth, Synott.

NINE GOALS AT THE THATCH.

After leading 4-2, Frankford were defeated by 9 goals to 4 by Beddigo at the Thatch yesterday. Rain fell throughout, and the players found considerable difficulty in retaining foothold on the sodden, treacherous ground.

Frankford were unfortunate in losing their goalkeeper, Hutchinson, who was injured in the first half, and though he resumed at outside right ten minutes after the re-start he was little more than a passenger. Despite that, Frankford had quite their share of play, and were a trifle unlucky not to share the points. Moore, a youthful player from a junior club, made a successful debut at centre forward for Beddigo, and scored two fine goals. Robinson was the better winger and M'Laughlin a

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useful partner. Keddy was the outstanding half-back, but the Beddigo fulls were at times inclined to kick wildly when under pressure. Joe Frankford, T. Davis played a capital game at centre forward, and stopped a fine display by also performing the "hat trick," Chelmsford was a speedy wing, and Redmond prominent with some fine crosses. M'Sweeney, Durnin and Lacey were the pick of the back division, but the Frankford halves frequently

RACING PROSPECTS.

Another National Problem—Easter Hero's Distance: The Lincoln Outlook: Two More Casualties.

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Sunday Night.

One would have thought that the running during the present season had set us quite enough problems connected with the Grand National to solve, but Mr. Frank Barbour has put up a new hare and got every one thinking, and thinking very deeply, too. His name, Hero came out at Kempton yesterday and won the Coventry Steeplechase—over three and-a-half miles be it noted—and won it in storming fashion after making all the running under 12st. 7lb.—a grand performance, and probably the best that any National candidate has accomplished round the Park courses this season.

He was giving 29lb. to Spear o' War, a good young horse who on the strength of what he can do at home with Beggar's End, a winner on Friday, was considered almost unbeatable, and he won by a neck. It was at least as good as, if not better, than that of his stable companion Koko in giving 2st. to Master Billie at Sandown.

Heretofore, Easter Hero has not won over a longer distance than two-and-a-half miles, and Irish people who have seen him run in Ireland and English people who have seen him run in England were alike in the opinion that he did not stay anything much over this distance, and that he was too brilliant over the shorter course ever to shine over the long. But Mr. Barbour all the time had a spare mile up his sleeve, and Easter Hero showed himself yesterday to be as good over three and a half miles as he is at two and a half, which is saying a great deal.

A DEBATEABLE POINT.

Now the acute question is: have Mr. Barbour and Easter Hero got another mile to pull out when the pinch comes? If so, Easter Hero has a conspicuous chance of winning the Grand National. He has not been mentioned much hitherto in connection with the Aintree event, but he will be a good deal in the next month. All the limelight has been on Koko as the National horse of the stable, but Easter Hero is to run at Liverpool with Powell up, and Powell has profound faith in his stamina. We know, of course, that Easter Hero jumps Liverpool, for he has won both the Molyneux and the Becher there, once with Foster riding him.

Yesterday Easter Hero was meeting a high-class field that included Bright's Boy, The Coyote, Rathowen, Carfax, Darracq and Spear o' War, and carrying top-weight in going that was holding he treated them all with supreme contempt. One after another the good ones came up and had a cut at him without ever making an impression, for Powell always had him well held, and was never a moment uneasy. Even for the few strides when Spear o' War headed him in the run-in he was nonchalant. He was in front over the first fence, and in front over every other fence. When they had gone a mile he was six to ten lengths clear of Nero II.

The first to go to him was The Coyote, and he remained in the first three or four for the next two miles. Darracq had actually moved into second place, as they passed the stands for the second time, with The Coyote, Spear o' War and Bright's Boy next. About a mile from home The Coyote began to jump a little faultily, and was losing some ground at each fence, but making it up before he came to the next.

Six fences from home Bright's Boy moved right up, but he did not sustain the effort, and was dropping back again as they entered the straight. In the straight he and The Coyote and Darracq were beaten, and the offensive was taken by Spear o' War, it being obvious then that he was the danger to the leader, who was still going easily and well. F. B. Rees delivered his challenge coming to the last fence, at which the pair rose together. For a stride or two Spear o' War just headed the other, but all the way up the straight Easter Hero was having the better of it, and I do not think he had to be ridden right out to win by a neck.

UNSTINTED PRAISE.

It was a performance on the part of the son of Mr. Prince that gained unstinted praise and everyone had to wonder at the vast difference between the Easter Hero of yesterday and the Easter Hero who used to fall about on park courses when he was in England first a few seasons ago. He is now a beautiful blood-like chaser; but I thought he looked a little lighter than he ever done before.

In the paddock Bright's Boy looked beautiful, and on looks alone he has never been the horse he is now, stones and stones heavier than he was at this time last year. He ran well enough, but not too well. Too much reliance, however, need not be placed on his form here. He is a great jumper, who takes less than most horses out of himself at his fences, and it is at Liverpool that the best of him is invariably seen.

I would not build too much either on the fact that Carfax finished a fur-long behind the winner. He was very badly handicapped here, as compared with Liverpool, and he will be more suited by the circumstances there. He lay up with them for upwards of two and a half miles, but when the pace was accelerated he could not live with the fast horses. The running did not present his Liverpool chance in a more favourable light than it had been before.

Rathowen finished fourth after the second last fence had been bungled. This grand little horse, who is a great stayer, would be a likely Liverpool candidate with a jockey who knows how to exercise his owner, Mr. Deterding. Darracq having gone up and had his cut at the leader, dropped away. His stable companion, Jack Horner, finished last of all. The angular and ugly American Burgorigh, went out of the race somewhere, I think it was early, but he does not matter very much.

It was not only a delightful, but a deeply interesting race, and those who try to reduce to mathematical terms its exact bearing on the Grand National will after a few days be found wandering with wild expressions and straws in their hair. Perhaps, however, Mr. Barbour has it all pat.

LINCOLNSHIRE CANDIDATES.

Before dealing with the rest of the Kempton racing a word has to be said about the Lincolnshire, because all the candidates are in good work now, and interest will be rapidly growing in the race. Orbindos remains favourite, and is, I understand, well. In the anaemic sort of market there is on the nice Fohanaun has not been going well. Walter Earl, his trainer, was at Kempton yesterday, and was telling me that he has not yet put his candidates, Fohanaun and Dark Warrior, together.

He had, however, one interesting piece of news about Fohanaun, and that is that he now goes perfectly peacefully in a rubber bit, and is as quiet as any horse who comes on Newmarket Heath. Last year when he came from Ireland he used to become upset among the crowds of horses on the Heath, and to prevent his bolting he had to be ridden in gag and pulled back when the others jumped off, which probably was the cause of his starting slowly in most of his races here. Earl now allows no one to ride him out in any sort of fast work but himself, and I am sure that he is very hopeful of winning a good race with him this season, though whether it is the Lincolnshire or not I do not pretend to know.

I do not think that Mr. J. B. Joel has yet decided whether Priory Park or Philammon will represent him at Lincoln. Both are doing well, and Philammon is well expected to win a good race this season, for he has come on well since last year. The Mohawk is another candidate who has done well throughout the winter, and will be a fit horse when the Lincoln arrives. The North Country double, the Mohawk and Trump Card, is still a very live one.

We shall not see any prominent National horses on this week for the racing is made up almost entirely of minor meetings, but next week there is Cheltenham, with its rich and varied events. All we can hope for is that yet another National possibility will not come out of obscurity into the limelight there. There are too many there already for one's peace of mind.

The weather was summerlike at Kempton, and the big steeplechase proved a very potent draw to the public. There were two fatal accidents in the course of the afternoon, the first being when Olivebury had to be destroyed after coming down in the selling hurdle won by Mah Jongg, and the second and more important when the promising young Argoov horse, Argon, was brought down at the second last fence in the race for the Amateurs' Steeplechase by Starbox falling in front of him, and broke his neck. This was bad luck for his young owner, Mr. Harry Kennard, who was riding himself, and for his trainer, Captain Miles Thompson. At the last fence in this race Bolshevist had the beating of the leader, Gibus, so well was he going, but Captain Sassoon was rather outridden by Mr. Gwyn Evans, and Gibus beat his horse a length.

A FAVOURITE GOES DOWN.

In the Kennington Hurdle the public paid the handicapper the poor compliment of laying odds freely on Orbita. However, he was well beaten three lengths by Vicar Lane, who got back for Gilbert Bennett's stable the heavy Spear o' War losser. Vicar Lane was carrying a penalty for having won at Plumpton, and just before that he had taken a selling hurdle at Lingfield, being bought in for 280 guineas, a price that on his performance here was not a third of his value.

I had begun to think that his course of hurdling had improved the courage of Orbita, and that he had a chance with his light weight in the Lincolnshire. This was discounted by a faint-hearted performance here, for he allowed himself to be run clean out of it. Fortissimo, with odds laid on him, won the selling steeplechase very easily, and Mah Jongg had no difficulty in beating Dowser in the selling hurdle. The three miles of the St. James's Handicap Hurdle well suited the staying son of Bridge of Earn, Donaghadee, and he won it comfortably by two lengths from Ramses for his jockey Hogan and his owner, Lieutenant-Commander Edward Leake.

Not much interest attaches to either the Southwell or Hawthorn Hill programmes to-day. At the former meeting GERALD L. should win the Belvoir Steeplechase, and JACOBITE the Southwell Handicap Hurdle.

At Hawthorn Hill, where the going is likely to be very holding, MAXIMUS may win the Three Miles Steeplechase, and ROSSIENY the Bracknell Handicap Steeplechase.

GALTEE MORE.

FORM HORSES.

HAWTHORN HILL.

2.0 Race—Achilles.
2.30 ,, —Duration II.
3. 0 ,, —Hawker.
3.30 ,, —Done Up.
4. 0 ,, —Firecracker.
4.30 ,, —Beauclerc II. (nap).

SOUTHWELL.

2. 0 Race—Somercotes.
2.30 ,, —Anchorite.
3. 0 ,, —Debonette.
3.30 ,, —Grakle.
4. 0 ,, —Marchesi.
4.30 ,, —Bushaway

Eclipse.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Daily Sketch :—Donble—Hornet's Pride and Borealis.
Daily Mirror :—Double — Achilles and Borealis (nap).

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

Epsom Derby Stakes—Beret de Basque and Good Shot at 9 a.m. on Saturday.

CATTERICK BRIDGE MEETING.

Piercebridge Handicap Hurdle—Wheldrake, Sand Dab, Ripolin and Blyth Warrior.
Killerby Selling Handicap Hurdle—Cyzaste, Heath Hurdle—Imisto.
Scotton Steeplechase—North Riding.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Lewis Steeplechase, Lingfield Park—Irish Boy.
Oxton Selling Hurdle, Southwell—Grand Trianon.
Norwich Selling Hurdle—Hedgerail, Petra.
Newent Selling Handicap Steeplechase, National Hunt Meeting—Manister Field.
All entanglements in Mr. J. S. Pendarves's name—Rackway.
All published engagements—Mest Mare.
All engagements except Alexandra Stakes, Ascot—Greenfire.
All engagements—Thrace, Top Light.
Avon Handicap Hurdle—Hurst Park—Courtship and Eagle's Pride.

LINCOLN HORSES AT WORK.

With the near approach of the flat racing season there is increasing activity on Newmarket Heath, and on Saturday morning several Lincolnshire Handicap horses were seen out. Generally their gallops gave satisfaction, but there were not a few spectators who would like to have seen Cramick do better. He gave a puzzling display, ridden by Dimsy, who will, I am told, be the mount in the race. He was sent a good mile spin in company with Lys D'Or and El Torero, but he failed to reproduce the same form as in previous gallops. He is a sluggish mover, but took the lead at half-way, however, and was going well enough to satisfy those who know him best that his preparation is progressing very favourably.

Walter Earl's pair, Fohanaun and Dark Warrior, will probably be tried together before the day of the race. On Saturday morning they were sent separately, the former with his trainer riding, having a good stripped gallop of a mile with Panfera. He moved in canital style, his action being perfect. Dark Warrior, ridden by R. Jones, had several stable companions with him in a similar spin.

Walter Griggs's Adieu, with Keeble up, went well in a stripped gallop of a mile with Alcibiades and Treasure Island, and Harvey Leader's Cruella, with Jellis riding, went splendidly in a similar gallop.

J. Jarvis's Fancy Free (Sirett) was sent a good gallon of five furlongs. She was very quickly into her stride and is making good progress.

THIS WEEK'S RACING FIXTURES.

ENGLAND.

Monday—Southwell.
Monday and Tuesday—Hawthorn Hill.
Wednesday and Thursday—Catterick Bridge.
Friday and Saturday—Lingfield Park.
Friday and Saturday—Aldershot.

RACING IN AUSTRALIA.

FLEMINGTON RACES (VICTORIA), Saturday.
The Newmarket Handicap was run here to-day and resulted as follows :—

GOTHIC	1
THACIAN BELL	2
CRYSTAL	3

Twenty-four starters.
Betting—5 to 2 1 st. GOTHIC, 12 to 1 2nd. Thacian Bell, 12 to 1 Crystal.
Won by a head; a neck separating second and third. Time—1 min. 13⅕ secs.

FINGAL HARRIERS' POINT-TO-POINT MEETING

(AT BORRANSTOWN, ASHBOURNE).

TO-DAY.

ORDER OF RUNNING.

Light-weight Race (Confined)	Light-weight Race (Open)
1 30	3 0
Ladies' Race	Heavy-weight Race
2 15	3 45
	Farmers' Race
	4 30

QUEEN'S COUNTY HUNT POINT-TO-POINT RACES

Will be Held at
GABERLOGUES, TIMAHOE,
On THURSDAY, MARCH 15th,
Commencing at 1.30 p.m.

EVENTS :

OPEN RACE. Weights 12st. 7lbs. Penalties—Winner of one Open Point-to-Point Race to carry 7lbs. extra; of two or more 14lbs. extra.
HEAVY-WEIGHT HUNT RACE. Open to Queen's County and Ormond Hunts. Weights 14st.
LIGHT-WEIGHT HUNT RACE. Open to Queen's County and Ormond Hunts. Weights 12st.
FARMERS' RACE. Weights 12st.
COBS' RACE. Open to Queen's County Hunt and Portarlington Harriers. Weights 11st. Penalties—Winner of one Point-to-Point Race to carry 7lbs. extra; of two or more, 10lbs. extra. Horses under 14.3 allowed 7lbs.
Entries close SATURDAY, MARCH 10th.
Particulars and Entry Forms from MAJOR MARSH, Hon. Sec., Springmount, Mountrath, Queen's County.—(Advt.)

HAWTHORN HILL.

PROBABLE RUNNERS AND BETTING.

SELECTIONS.

Maidenhead Selling Steeplechase—Priority.
Monday Selling Hurdle—Duration II.
Three Miles Steeplechase—Hawker.
Windsor Hurdle—Done Up.
Bracknell Steeplechase—Firecracker.
Bray Hurdle—Grey Marten.

TO-DAY'S DOUBLE.

Done Up (Hawthorn Hill) and Gerald L. (Southwell).

2.0—MAIDENHEAD SELLING STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Second receives 5 sovs. Winner to be sold for £250. 2 m.

	Age st. lb.
TRULY RURAL (Mr. J. Allen)	Newey 11 12
WESTOWN (Mr. J. E. Barry)	W. Payne 11 12
JACK MOORE (Mr. A. B. Briscoe)	H. Leader 11 12
BROADWAY (Mrs. R. C. Ian)	Trudgill 11 12
SOOTHING GLASS (Mr. Douglas Clarke)	Rosier 11 12
PRIORITY (Mr. Douglas Clarke)	Gore 11 12
ACHILLES (Mrs. F. Power)	Power 11 12
LITTLE WAVELET (Mr. E. Scott Fry)	Prudames 11 12
MASK MAN (Capt. J. Rogers)	C. Chapman 11 12
BALLINVALLEY (Mr. H. R. Steel)	Walls 11 12
KILRLTH (Mr. M. W. Brien)	Private 11 7
CLOCHNABEN (Capt. T. McDougal)	McDougal 11 7
SOCCER (Mr. W. H. Savill)	F. Hartigan 4 11 7
ALLITERATION (Lt. Stalbridge)	Anthony 6 11 7
ARD OR (Mr. T. Rayson)	Rayson 6 11 0

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Forecast Betting
300	JACK MOORE	Mr. Briscoe 10/1
526	TRULY RURAL	Rich 9/1
404	WESTOWN	W. Payne 9/1
012	BROADWAY	Trudgill 7/1
421	PRIORITY	K. McCarthy 6/1
031	ACHILLES	Parvin 6/4
431	MASK MAN	Rayson 3/1
420	BALLYVALLEY	Isaac 10/1
000	ALLITERATION	Mr. Grosvenor 10/1
000	ARD OR	Gaynor 10/1

2.30—MONDAY SELLING HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. Second receives 5 sovs. Winner to be sold for £50. 2 m. Age st. lb.

NOCTIFER (Mrs. E. Allfrey)	C. Young 12 0
SPIGOT LODGE (Mrs. E. Brock)	Bennett 12 0
PRINCE REGENT (Mr. J. R. B. Cramsie)	Cramsie 12 0
HIAM (Mr. P. Hands)	Hammond 12 0
BARRACKTON LAD (Mr. W. Harris)	C. Young 12 0
RED CONRAD (Mr. R. G. Shaw)	Pemberves 12 0
TUSCAN (Mr. R. C. Shaw)	Pemberves 12 0
HORACE (Mr. H. Collins)	F. Pigott 12 0
SILVER RIVER (Mr. Kenny)	Private 12 0
DURSTON II. (Mr. T. S. Edge)	Poole 6 11 9
QUERIX (Mr. R. Hennessy)	Butchers 10/1
JOS (Mr. A. Law)	A. Law 6 11 9
PODRAH (Mr. R. Lee)	Trudgill 6 11 9
TURNIPS (Mr. R. Nielson)	Walls 6 11
DUDLEY (Lt. Londesborough)	H. Brown 12
DAVID (Mr. M. Fowler)	S. Bennet 4 11
RED SPLASH (Major F. H. Wyndham)	Withington 4 11
MAXIMUS (Mr. W. G. Clarke)	Gore 4 11
MULE FACE (Mr. G. Waller)	H. Smyth 6 11
ANIMATED (Sir Ernest Wills)	Winton 4 11
RED WEST (Capt. H. Russell Wood)	Woods 4 11
CAPPAWHITE (Mr. H. Fowler)	S. Bennet 4 11
GIBUS (Mr. Hugh Peel)	Poole 4 11
CANOPUS (Mrs. D'Arcy Baker)	Bennet 4 11
STARDEST (Mr. F. W. Baker)	Rees 4 11
PRINCE ROWLAND (Capt. P. Brian Ribby)	Whitaker 4 12
SOUTHERN WITCH (Sir George Abercrombie)	Mr. Jackson 4 10
GALATEA II. (Mr. S. Birrell)	Nelson 4 10
GAMEBIRD II. (Mr. F. W. Brook)	Thompson 4 10
TANGERINA (Mr. R. H. Eden)	McMullen 4 10
RACKWAY (Mr. J. Pendarves)	Pendarves 4 10
IRISH LASS (Wing-Comdr. W. Read)	Woodland 4 10
RED LANCE (Mr. P. Home Rigg)	Rayson 4 10
LITTLE CLIPTER (Mr. J. Shaw)	Bennett 4 10
GALLANT LAD (Mr. W. Clarke)	Goby 4 10
MILLTOWN (Mrs. R. D. Cohen)	Powell 4 10
SANS BLAGUE (Mr. A. C. Wilson)	Butchers 6 10
JOYANCE (Mr. V. T. Thompson)	F. Hartigan 5 10
MARTRINE (Mrs. M. Gordon)	Powell 5 10

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Forecast Betting
213	HAWKER	F. Brookes 7/2
0	LITTLE CLIPTER	L. Rees 10/1
302	MONIAL	Payne 8/1
340	RED SPLASH	J. M'Carthy 7/1
232	STARDUST	J. East 8/1
102	MULE FACE	Smith 9/1
000	ANIMATED	Sergeant 10/1
241	MR. MADCAP	J. Nugent 6/1
100	THE WITCH	Isaac 10/1
	TANGERINA	Capt. M'Mullen 100/8
033	RED LANCE	Rayson 10/1
002	BIG BLACK BOY	Stevens 10/1
000	JOYANCE	Moreau 100/8

3.30—WINDSOR HCAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. Second receives 10 sovs. 2 m. Age st. lb.

RALFOUR (Mr. A. M. Jones)	Turner 6 12 7
BIG BLACK BOY (Mrs. C. Stevens)	C. Stevens 6 12 6
TOWN UP (Mr. W. Cutgrau)	Corrigan 6 12 5
GERALD L. (Mrs. J. Leggo)	Hyam 4 12 0
FLYING FOAM (Mr. E. Richards)	Dan 4 12 0
PRINCE REGENT (Mr. J. R. B. Cramsie)	Trapnell 6 12 0
WARFIELD (Mr. F. Thackray)	Jellis 6 12 0
DARING BOY (Mr. A. D. C. Halford)	Gilbert 5 11 11
ESCA (Mr. F. Smith)	Smith 5 11 10
CLANESSA (Mrs. Hugh Peel)	Poole 5 11 9
ACTRIX (Mr. J. Wilkinson)	M. Jackson 5 11 9
BROCKLEY HILL (Capt. Russell Wood)	Woods 4 11 6
FRONT LINE (Mrs. G. Campbell)	Mosley 4 11 5
WORSHAM BRIDGE (Mr. R. Wigram)	Kemp 5 11 3
TURNIPS (Mr. W. R. Nielson)	Walls 6 11 3
PRINCE OF GATES (Mr. Gates)	Walls 4 11 0
RAINBOW (Mrs. A. B. Cornelius)	Larkin 4 11 0
CLAROBIE (Sir Ernest Wills)	De Winton a 10 13
TRINCO (Mr. T. V. Thompson)	F. Hartigan 4 10 12
RECKLESS GAL (Mr. E. G. de Meaux)	De Meaux 5 10 11
SWEET PLANET (Mr. G. Barclay)	H. Smyth 5 10 10
YIRA (Mr. A. C. Schwartz)	H. Leader 6 10 7
SIGNET (Mr. F. W. Wilmot)	Kemp a 10 3
THE GAWK (Mr. H. T. L. Young)	H. Young a 10 0

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Forecast Betting
050	BIG BLACK BOY	Mr. Stevens 7/1
033	DONE UP	Sayers 7/2
203	GREEN CORAL	Ingham 8/1
310	PRINCE REGENT	F. Brookes 9/1
030	ACTRIX	Livesey 9/1
010	WROXHAM BRIDGE	Chisman 20/1
400	TURNIPS	Isaac 100/8
200	CLAROBIE	Sergeant 7/1
244	TRINCO	F. Rees 7/1
420	SWEET PLANET	Stott 10/1
000	SIGNET	W. Davies 10/1

4.0—BRACKNELL HANDICAP CHASE of 75 sovs. Second receives 5 sovs. 3 m. Age st. lb.

GENERAL ADVANCE (Maj. J. W. Hunt)	Withington a 12 7
SOULECTOR (Mr. H. Fowler)	S. Bennet 6 11 12
FIRECRACKER (Miss M. V. Cantrell)	Rayson 6 11 12
ROSSIENY (Mrs. J. Putnam)	W. Payne a 11 10
NORTHERN LINNET (Sir Peter Grant Lawson)	Henderson 6 11 9
CAPPAWHITE (Mr. H. Fowler)	S. Bennet a 11 6
ITALIAN SUMMER (Mrs. R. D. Cohen)	Powell a 11 3
HORNET'S PRIDE (Ld. Allendale)	R. Gordon a 11 2
EROS (Mr. T. P. Kimbell)	C. Chapman 6 11 0
SQUIRE MARTEN (Capt. J. B. Powell)	Powell 6 11 0
WORD OF HONOUR (Mr. C. A. Harwood)	Harwood a 10 13
DEVONPORT (Capt. C. B. Petre)	Petre a 10 12
HUGH O'NEILL (Mr. A. Law)	A. Law a 10 12
LANGIB ILL (Queenborough)	G. Bennett 5 10 12
ANOTHER ENCOUNTER (Mr. P. Savill)	A. Law a 10 10
CAT BURGLAR (Mr. E. G. Goby)	Goby 6 10 8
ANNIVERSARY (Mr. W. H. Savill)	F. Hartigan 6 10 7
CHIRON (Mr. A. M. Jones)	Turner 6 10 7
WITNESS (Mr. R. Schwartz)	H. Leader a 10 4
FITZPICTON (Mr. R. Fitch)	Poole a 10 2
BRITTLE (Mr. David)	Scott 6 10 2
LUCKY TOY (Mrs. A. Jeffries)	Saxby 6 10 0
BRIGHT BLUE (Mr. C. C. Hall)	Rosier a 10 0
PASHA (Mr. G. Foot)	J. Barrett a 10 0

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Forecast Betting
008	SOUTHERN CALL	Livesey 5/1
120	RIPLEY	Trudgill 9/1
000	ITALIAN SUMMER	Parvin 4/1
000	LOYAL	Rayson 7/2
001	GREY MARTEN	Sayers 5/2
000	RANGER	Butchers 10/1
044	BRAUCBERG II.	F. Rees 3/1
010	LOBVIERS LODGE	Haslcroft 7/1
000	NO HUMBUG	Mr. Jones 100/8
000	POLIGAR	Sergeant 10/1
000	HELENA'S PRIDE	F. Rookes 100/8
000	LASHAWAY	Marshall 6/1
040	SKAMANDROS	Britton 10/1

KEMPTON PARK MEETING.

EASTER HERO WINS ON THE POST.

2.0—MANOR SELLING STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs. 2 m.

Mr. E. Bates's b. c. FORTISSIMO, by Fortunatus—Lady, 4, 12-3 ..... Payne 1
Mr. R. Wilson's REAL ROYAL, 4, 11-12 ..... Owner 2
Mr. Mackelmann's BERMAINE, 5, 12-3 ..... F. Rees 3
Also ran—Botanist (Owner), Radiant River (T. Leader), Tiny Town (F. Brookes). Off 3.0. (Winner trained by W. Payne.)
Betting—11 to 10 on FORTISSIMO, 4 to 1 Real Royal, 5 to 1 Bermaine, 7 to 1 Radiant River, 100 to 8 any other.
Won by two lengths; a length and a half. Radiant River was fourth and Botanist last.
The winner was bought in for 50 gns.

2.30—SHERTSEY SELLING HURDLE of 150 sovs. 2 m.

Mr. A. Bendon's ch. g. MAH JONGG, by Sunny Land—Dancing Ash, 6, 11-13 ..... Mr. Jackson 1
Mr. S. G. Shaw's DOWSER, 5, 11-12 ..... Owner 2
Mr. S. Gore's NOISY, 5, 11-7 ..... S. McCarthy 3
Also ran—Argon (W. Stott), Olivebury (F. Beasley), Count Spaghetti (M. Rayson), Macanudo (F. Grantham), January (W. Smyth), Immaterial (J. Hogan), Tipcord (R. Ingham). Off 3.30. (Winner trained by P. Woodland.)
Betting—5 to 2 agst. MAH JONGG, 4 to 1 Land—Dancing Ash, 5 to 1 Noisy, 7 to 1 Argon and Olivebury, 7 to 1 Count Spaghetti, 100 to 7 any other.
Won by three lengths; a short head. Macanudo was fourth and Tipcord last.
The winner was sold to Mr. Roderick for 280 gns.

3.0—COVENTRY HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 350 sovs. 3m.

Mr. F. Barbour's ch. g. EASTER HERO, by Mr Prince—Easter Way, 5, 12-7 ..... F. Powell 1
Lord Queenborough's REAL O' WAR, 5, 12-7 ..... F. Rees 2
Mr. V. Emanuel's THE COYOTE, 5, 11-13 ..... Mr. Jackson 3
Mr. B. W. Ancil's Carfax, 5, 11-8 ..... C. Ancil 0
Mr. S. Sanford's Bright's Boy, 5, 11-9 ..... T. Leader 0
Mr. P. L. Behr's Burgorigh, 5, 10-13 ..... Mr. Bonsall, jun. 0
Mr. H. Deterding's Rathowen, 5, 10-12 ..... Owner 0
Capt. R. S. Sassoon's Ballymockard, 4, 10-10 ..... M. Jackson 5 11 0
Major G. Larnach Nevill's Ibstock, 5, 10-9 ..... Owner 0
Mr. A. C. Schwartz's Jack Horner, 5, 10-5 ..... Mr. McCarthy 3
Capt. R. M. Thompson's Bilse's Bridge, 5, 10-5 ..... McDonald 0
W. Gurney 0
Mrs. R. D. Cohen's Overdraft, 6, 10-5 ..... Parvin 0
Mr. A. C. Schwartz's Darracq, 5, 10-3 ..... C. Rhodes 0
Mr. J. G. Thomson's Herbert's Choice, 5, 10-3 ..... F. Gurney 0
Mrs. K. Mackay's Nero IV., 5, 10-0 ..... G. Brooks 0
Mr. G. Gilbey's Court Scandal II., 4, 10-0 ..... T. Morgan 0
Mr. M. D. Blair's Ballyhanwood, 5, 9-10 ..... Foster 0

Off 3.0. (Winner trained by Parry.)
Betting—100 to 30 agst. EASTER HERO, 7 to 2 Spear o' War, 6 to 1 The Coyote, 10 to 1 Carfax, 10 to 1 Herbert's Choice, 100 to 8 each The Coyote and Rathowen, 100 to 7 Darracq, 20 to 1 others.
Easter Hero led over the first fence from Nero IV., Court Scandal II., Carfax, Snipe's Bridge, Ibstock, Burgorigh, The Coyote and Herbert's Choice, with Ballyhanwood, Lady Mackaro and Jack Horner pretty much together. Darracq was the first to lose touch, and at the next ditch Court Scandal II. fell. Shortly afterwards Nero IV. was put out by lengths clear of Nero IV., who was eight lengths in front of Carfax and The Coyote, with Bright's Boy and Spear o' War lying close handy next. The Coyote raced up into second place after going a mile and a quarter, and, passing the stands, Darracq regained second place, followed by Ballyhanwood. The Coyote and Carfax. The last-named dropped back a mile and a quarter from the end, and shortly before the straight Darracq moved up into second place, with The Coyote, Spear o' War and Bright's Boy next. These were the order at the last fence, with the others well behind. Spear o' War became second just before the straight, with The Coyote third. Bright's Boy being then fourth, Darracq fifth, Carfax sixth, and Ballyhanwood seventh. Spear o' War and Easter Hero were together. They rose at the last jump side by side, and for a few strides Spear o' War got his head in front. In a thrilling finish Easter Hero got the better of Spear o' War, and won by a neck; five lengths separated second and third. Rathowen was fourth, Overdraft fifth, Bright's Boy sixth, Darracq seventh, Ibstock eighth, Ballyhanwood ninth, Ballystockart tenth, Snipe's Bridge eleventh, and Jack Horner last. Nero IV. and Burgorigh did not complete the course. Time—7 mins. 35 2-5 secs.

3.30—KENNYNGTON HANDICAP HURDLE of 200 sovs. 2 m.

Miss W. G. Knight's b. g. VICAR LANE, by Battle-Axe—Dreamchild, 5, 11-10 ..... F. Rees 1
Sir A. Butt's ORBITA, 4, 11-4 ..... S. Ingham 2
Mr. J. S. Austen's EGREMONT, 4, 10-3 ..... Owner 3
Also ran—Big Black Boy (Mr. J. Stevens), Heartburn (R. Gordon), Fusty (H. Veal), Lian-dreamer (F. Brookes), Royal Barn (T. Cullen), Snip-Snap (E. McCarthy), Blue Bag (L. Rees), Norman Duke (L. Butchers), Part Two (H. Haddrell), Rotation (T. Leader), Rainbow (W. Stott), Fiery Foot (E. Foster). Off 3.31. (Winner trained by G. Bennett.)
Betting—5 to 4 on Orbita, 7 to 2 agst. VICAR Lane, 10 to 1 each Big Black Boy, Snip-Snap, and Blue Bag; 100 to 7 any other.
Won by three lengths; four lengths. Blue Bag was fourth and Royal Barn last.

4.0—AMATEURS' HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs. 2 m.

Major H. Peel's ch. g. GIBUS, by Llangibby—Pea Dervyg, 6, 11-10 ..... Mr. G. Evans 1
Capt. R. E. Sassoon's BOLSHEVIST, 5, 12-2 ..... Mr. Jackson 2
Mr. J. Wright's HUNTING HALL, 5, 10-2 ..... Mr. McCarthy 3
Also ran—Guiter Snipe (Mr. Stewart), Benjamin Cherry (Owner), Tiger (Owner), Hank (Lord Killeen), The Monk (Mr. R. Bennett), Argon (Owner), Starbow (Hon. H. Grosvenor), Nautical Swell (Mr. Thrale), Chateau d'Oe (Capt. Gossage). Off 4.0. (Winner trained by Poole.)
Betting—6 to 4 agst. GIBUS, 3 to 1 Starbow, 4 to 1 Bolshevist, 7 to 2 Benjamin Cherry, 10 to 1 Guiter Snipe, 100 to 6 any other.
Won by a length; a bad third. The Monk was fourth, and Chateau d'Oe last.

4.30—ST. JAMES'S HANDICAP HURDLE of 150 sovs. 3m.

Cem. R. W. Leake's b. g. DONAGHADEE, by Bridge of Earn—Gilden Rose, 5, 10-7 ..... Hogan 1
Mr. C. E. Holton's RAMSES, 5, 9-11 ..... N Dixon 2
Mr. M. Blenkiron's GOLDEN BRICK, 5, 10-3 ..... Mr. Jackson 3

Also ran—Ormond Boy (Capt. McMullen), The Maid (T. Cullen), Bob Martyn (W. Stott), Mark Twain (E. McCarthy). Off 4.30. (Winner trained by J. Barrett.)
Betting—4 to 1 agst. DONAGHADEE, 7 to 2 Golden Brick, 4 to 1 Mark Twain, 5 to 1 Bob Martyn, 8 to 1 Ramses, 100 to 8 any other.
Won by two lengths; a neck. Bob Martyn was fourth, and Ormond Boy last.

GREYHOUND RACING IN DUBLIN.

The Chairman of the directors controlling the Harold's Cross (Dublin) Greyhound Racing Track is reported as stating that while his company was dissatisfied with the decision of the Irish Coursing Club in refusing them permission to hold meetings on Saturdays other days of which racing would take place at Shelbourne Park, they had agreed for the present to hold two meetings each week, on the days available (Tuesdays and Fridays). The opening meeting, which had been fixed for March 17th, has been postponed until Friday, March 23rd. Shelbourne Park will be re-opened on March 17th, and racing will take place each Monday, Wednesday and Saturday. The track has been considerably improved since the close of last season, and has been lengthened at the Dodder end.

SOUTHWELL.

SELECTIONS.

Limehurst Hurdle—Parson's Well.
Oxton Selling Hurdle—Li-Kwang.
Southwell Hurdle—Debonette.
Belvoir Steeplechase—Gerald L.
Kirklington Steeplechase—Poor Tom.
Sherwood Steeplechase—Rushaway.

2.0—LIMEHURST HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. Second receives 10 sovs. third (third 5 sovs.) 2 m. Age st. lb.

MENASSIER (Maj. V. Mocatta)	Private a 11 6
PARSON'S WELL (Mr. G. Bates)	Thrale 4 11 1
SCARLE (Mr. J. Bagshaw)	Private 6 11 0
BOGHEMAN (Mr. J. Baiding)	G. Baiding a 11 0
EASTERSIDE (Mr. R. Fowler)	Private a 11 0
PARA MAGIC (Mrs. Greenslade)	Hall 6 11 0
PRIMEBERI (Mrs. G. Williams)	Rimell a 11 0
INTERFERENCE (Mr. F. E. Groves)	Groves a 11 0
FREE STATE (Miss R. Hollins)	Bullock a 11 0
PADUA (Mr. E. Knowles)	Private a 11 0
MOUNTAIN STAG (Mr. C. R. Taylor)	Cuthbertle a 11 0
DOUBTFUL LADY (Miss C. Thomson)	Pease a 11 0
BELLA DO (Mr. M. Vasey)	A. Vasey 6 11 0
BERRY PICKLER (Mr. H. Bentley)	Cole 5 10 10
PONOROGO (Lt.-Col. D. Bingham)	R. Thompson 5 10 10
VOLTAIRE BATTERY (Mr. H. Crawford)	Cuthbertle a 11 0
SOMERCOTES (Mr. J. St. V. Fox)	T. Leader 5 10 10
ZENELLA (Mr. A. S. Holmes)	Sheridan 5 10 10
SOUTHERN CALL (Miss A. Kleinton)	M. Jackson 5 10 10
HUNTERSDALE (Mr. J. Mayall)	Hodges 5 10 10
VIROL (Na). H. Miss)	T. Leader 5 10 10
WALDORF (Mrs. M. Rimell)	Rimell 5 10 10
GALANTHUS (Mr. J. Peyche)	O'Neill 5 10 10
VERY NICE (Mr. W. Wadd

INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY.

GOOD TEAM WORK BY WALES.

IRELAND OPEN THE SCORING.

WALES ..... 3 goals
IRELAND ..... 2 goals

Wales has a weakness for Park avenue. Two years ago B. G. Lampard-Vachell XI. administered our first defeat in the oldest international of the series, dating as it does from 1895, on a 4-3 score, and on Saturday history repeated itself, and again by the odd goal, the result reading, Wales 3 goals, Ireland 2.

But not only was the result the same. The doing of it was identical. An attendance of somewhat disappointing size was practically unanimous in the verdict, "the better team won." Opinions differed as to the game played by A, B, C and D, as to the reading of the offside rule, what constitutes "a kick," and every incident which cropped up in the course of a fast seventy minutes, but they all boiled down to the hard, cold fact, "the better team won."

And be it said the majority verdict was correct. Wales took the field as a team, played as a team, won as a team, and if the Cambridge Blue, A. H. Rocyn-Jones, came in for a little extra hero-worship at the finish it was merely because he had had the luck to get the deciding goal—just as the whistle went—thereby fulfilling the promise shown less than a year back, when—fresh from Leys—he captained the Welsh side which defeated the English schools at Merton Abbey on a 3-2 score.

Welsh selectors are not without hope that he may yet lead, if not the side, at any rate the forward line, which will be the first to break the long series of victories scored by England in the annual games.

The work of the red-shirted brigade on Saturday brought back the game two years ago very vividly. Lampard-Vachell was in charge; he had Saturday's captain, E. R. Clarke on his left, and in front of him C. H. Owen was centre-half, with A Sharpe on the right, making his debut, and three of the forwards, J. H. Lewis, M. D. A. Evans and W. Benyon also come into the picture.

All seven played their parts on Saturday, and gave the four newcomers, so to speak, something to play to. If one of them showed up a shade more than the others it can be accounted for—by his position at centre-half. C. H. Owne, just as two years back, held the Irish centre and insides—J. D. Cairnes gave him most trouble—and it was this grip which pulled the game round for the Principality. He got right good support from a sound left-half as is now playing, A. Sharpe (Old Kingstonian), while we had a kind of second-hand interest in the game played by E. A. McDonnell, who learnt his hockey with the Royal Hibernians, side by side with A. H. Cook.

Behind this half-line came Lampard-Vachell and Clarke, on one of their best days, and their perfect understanding and quick covering-up added to the troubles of the Irish attack.

Forward no man stood out. The five had grasped the secret of all team games, and they existed simply and solely as a forward line. Long raking passes to the wings and back again found them moving as if on parade, and whether in their own half of the ground or on the edge of the Irish circle they were never out of touch. Against Scotland report has it that they lacked thrust. There was no such lack on Saturday.

Trite as the statement may be. Ireland's game can be best summed up by saying the men played just as well as they were allowed to play. In attack the forwards never got together, and individual efforts and the efforts of two or three broke down as they were fated to break down against the solid Welsh defence.

Neither wing got over much to do. To W. A. Brown fell the lion's share of what was going, but his ball control was poor, and though he had the legs of Sharpe, as was shown clearly more than once in the first half, he failed to get his centres across. C. W. Cook suffered in two ways. His pace along the touch line might have been made more use of by his inside man; and making all and every allowance for the difference in the angles it looked from midfield as if the offside rule was stretched to breaking-point once or twice to his undoing.

The newcomer to the line, J. D. Cairnes, was easily the best of the insides. A real, thrustful forward, he never let up from start to finish, and reaped his reward in scoring both the Irish goals. Even allowing for the close attention of Owen, the Irish captain was off colour, as, indeed, he confessed himself when he deputed Cook to take a penalty corner towards the end. W. P. MacDonagh also has played better games, and showed neither the pace nor ball control of last year.

Brains and sheer brilliance—with its reactions—made an unsatisfactory mixture in the middle line. C. A. Gamble and T. H. Ely on the wings played sound orthodox hockey, apart from a tendency to fall back in face of the Welsh forwards, but they appeared upset by the wandering proclivities of their centre. J. H Harvey has lost nothing of his skill with his stick—at times it was really uncanny—but neither has he lost his tendency to attempt too much, and the fact that he did not devote enough attention to the doings of Lewis, Jones and Evans was not without its bearing on the result.

Both full-backs have played better games. In a way this can scarcely be wondered at. W. M. Dick was set to play under a heavy handicap, and his nervousness was not without its effect on W. Stockil. We saw the happy combination—formed four years ago at Limerick and at very short notice—absolutely shattered, and on one occasion, with Ireland under heavy pressure, comrades of four years' standing were actually jostling each other to effect the clearance. In goal H. Greenfield made quite a promising start on what should be a long series of caps. A thinking, as distinct from a slapdash, goalkeeper possessed of a good eye, he should prove a worthy successor to E. Mc Dillon.

From Ireland's point of view, the game opened well. Inside the first minute Harvey let Cairnes away, and the inside right beat Craig all the way. He had another chance almost at once, this time from a through pass by MacGregor, but the goalkeeper was not to be caught twice. The game settled down, and the Welshmen began to show their worth in the circle. Evans was only inches wide with a drive, Lewis had the bad luck to top a long corner, and Rocyn Jones hit the upright from Benyon's centre.

Obviously it was going to be no runaway win, and at the end of twenty minutes' play Wales was rewarded when Lewis equalised from a pass by Owen, the forward taking the ball close to the back line and working outwards until he had just enough room for a push shot.

Then came another spell with Ireland pressing. MacDonagh headed a couple of grand rushes, with Cairnes in support, only to find Craig's goal-keeping too good. Had the Irish forwards been better together they might have taken the lead at this stage, but the finishing power was lacking, and at the interval the score was still one all.

Early in the second half Greenfield was prominent with a couple of smart clearances from Lewis, and ten minutes had slipped by before Rocyn Jones picked up a well-placed centre by Benyon to put Wales in front.

Thereafter it was hammer and tongs. Both sides went all out to score, but without success until Cairnes got a somewhat lucky goal. The ball came to him from MacDonagh; he appeared to miss-hit it, and it rose clear of Craig to find the back of the net.

There was little time to go and the Welshmen made the most of it. They fairly swarmed round the Irish goal; Evans scored only to be whistled back for offside. Back again from the free, a scramble in the circle in which Lewis and Jones were mixed up, the centre-forward got in a neat push shot for the deciding point. Teams:—

IRELAND.

Goal—H. Greenfield (Ulster).
Full-backs—W. M. Dick (Ulster), W. Stockil (Munster).
Half-backs—T. H. Ely (Leinster), J. H. Harvey (Ulster), C. A Gamble (Leinster).
Forwards—W. A. Brown (Ulster), J. D. Cairnes (Leinster), G. G. MacGregor (Ulster), (captain), W. P. MacDonagh (Ulster), C. W. Cook (Leinster).

WALES.

Goal—R. S. Craig (Wrexham).
Full-backs—B. G. Lampard-Vachell (Hampstead). H. R. Clarke (captain) (Chepstow).
Half-backs—E. A. McDonnell (Newport), C. H. Owens (Hightown), A. Sharpe (Old Kingstonians).
Forwards—W. I Benyon (Swansea), J. H. Lewis (Mid-Surrey), A. H. Rocyn Jones (Newport), M. D. A. Evans (Cardiff University), J. Theophilus (Tulsehill).
Umpires—Messrs. A. M. Boyle (Scotland) and E. B. Nicholson (England).

A SECOND IRISH DEFEAT.

HEAVY SCORING BY ENGLAND.

The ladies' international hockey match at Manchester on Saturday resulted in an easy victory for England over Ireland by 11 goals to nil. A crowd of nearly 7,000 saw the match, which was played in excellent weather on the Brooklands Cricket ground.

England's success was due to the persistency of her forward line, which combined excellently and took full advantage of their scoring chances. Ireland pressed during the first half, but their efforts were unrewarded, and later in the game the visitors were kept on the defence.

Early in the game England scored, but the goal was disallowed. Ireland soon attacked, only to find the home defence sound. Miss Pollard took the ball in the Irish half, and opened the score for England. Miss P. Corry made a fine spurt and seemed to have the English defence beaten, but when on the point of shooting she was dispossessed by the home back. A second goal was scored after twenty-five minutes by Miss Lloyd.

The Irish defence was sorely tried during the next ten minutes, during which Miss Northwood and Miss Pollard added further goals for England. In spite of these reverses, Ireland continued to attack, but Mrs. Blake missed an excellent opportunity by shooting wide. The England forwards were held during the remainder of the first half, but soon after the change of ends Miss Lloyd put England further ahead.

The Irish forwards continued to press, but they were unable to break through the home defence. Miss Northwood and Miss Lloyd brought England's total to 8, and thereafter the Irish defence was kept very busy, and they were beaten by Miss Lloyd twice and Miss Northwood.

Teams:—

IRELAND—Miss Stoker (Leinster); Mrs. Charters (Ulster) Mrs. O'Reilly (Leinster); Miss N. Mooney (Leinster), Miss Archdale (Ulster), Miss Wishart (Ulster); Miss D. Mooney (Leinster), Miss Corry (Ulster), Mrs. Blake (Ulster), Miss Rodden (Leinster), Miss Kirkwood (Ulster).

ENGLAND—Miss S. Anderson (East); Miss M. Knott (East), Miss Dovern (East); Miss Burnett (South), Miss F. Chamberlain (West), Miss Bryan (North); Miss M. Bryant (South), Miss D. G. Northwood (West), Miss Lloyd (Midlands), Miss M. Pollard (Midlands), Miss J. Lingwood (West).

IRELAND V. SCOTLAND.

The Irish Selection Committee made three changes in the team to play Scotland on Saturday—J. F. Darcy, S. G. Ronan and B. F. Leitch taking the places of W. M. Dick, J. H. Harvey and W. A. Rollins.

The following is the team:—

Goal—H. Greenfield (Ulster).
Full-backs—J. F. Darcy (Leinster), W. Stockil (Munster).
Half-backs—T. H. Ely (Leinster), S. G. Ronan (Leinster), C. A. Gamble (Ulster).
Forwards—R. F. Leitch (Leinster), J. D. Cairnes (Leinster), G. G. MacGregor (Ulster) (capt.), W. P. MacDonagh (Ulster), C. W. Cook (Leinster).

WALES V. ENGLAND.

The Welsh Selection Committee meeting, held on Saturday, decided to play the team which represented Ireland for the match with England on March 17th.

IRISH JUNIOR CUP FINAL.

ARDS (3) V. PORTRANE (1).

As had been expected from Friday's play, Ards beat Portrane by 3 goals to 1 in the final of the Irish Junior Cup on Saturday morning at Serpentine avenue. Portrane are a good junior side, they like the ball, and if their object is to keep the ball up the field they certainly succeed, but it generally goes to an opposing back.

Ards, on the other hand, play more like a senior team. The ball was skilfully placed to their forwards by halves who knew the value of the push pass; and the front line, if they had a shot, rarely should have had a couple more goals. In Franklin they have a centre forward who can shoot, and the inside forwards made plenty of openings for him. The half-backs were all good. Steen used his weight to effect and was hard to get past, but Buchanan showed clever stick-work and gave some grand passes. Portrane, at right full, was a splendid defender.

The weakness of the Portrane side was the forwards. Blake, in the centre, has a good sense of position, but using only one hand to his stick was easily robbed of the ball. Byrne has thrust, but no stick-work; while Reid, easily the cleverest forward, found Steen too good for him. The full-backs were good, but Brady made two bad mistakes, which cost his side goals.

After Ards had opened with an attack, Pownall scored a surprise goal for Portrane from a very difficult angle. Quick, close passing among the Ards forwards had the Portrane defence guessing, but they looked like holding out till half-time, when Brady gave sticks with nobody near him, and Franklin scored from the corner.

The second half was a close struggle until midway through, when Brady once more gave sticks in the circle in trying to fly-hit, and Franklin put Ards ahead. Portrane fell away after this, and from mid-field McCready scored a soft goal. Teams:—

Ards—E. Patton; S. Ferguson, N. McCready; T. Steen, R. Copeland, C. Buchanan; Y. Blakeley, T. Jameson; J. N. Franklin, S. J. Copeland, T. McCready.

Portrane—T. Brown; W. Brady, J. Territt; G. Territt, P. Neville, R. Hill; J. Reid, A. Pownall, Dr. Blake, A. Byrne, J. Doyle.

Umpires—Messrs. Orr and Morrison.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURE.

Schools' Trial—Whites v. Colours. Tivoli terrace, 4 p.m. Umpires—Messrs. H. L. Morrison and G. V. S. Ireland.

Whites—Goal, W. Jones (Mountjoy School); backs, W. M Smyth (Mountjoy School), F. Griffin (Kingstown G.S.); half-backs, D. Conlon (Avoca School), H. A. Martin (Mountjoy School), D. Hilliard (Drogheda G.S.); forwards, R. F. Browne (Avoca School), R. Gibson (Kingstown G.S.), Forrester (Mountjoy School), D. Gibson (captain) (Mountjoy School), A. S. Mouritz (Avoca School).

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